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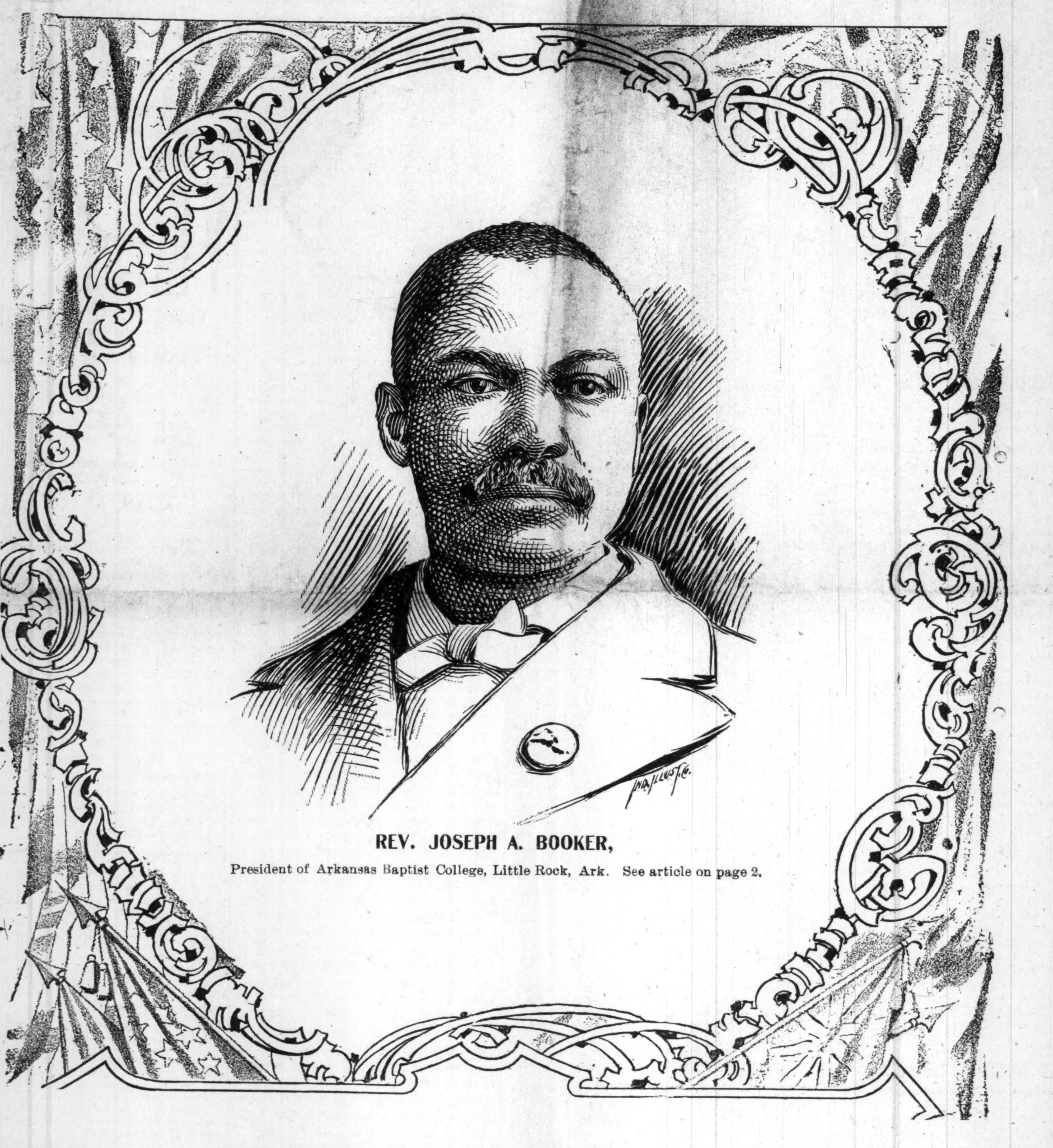

REV. JOSEPH A. BOOKER,

President of Arkansas Baptist College, Little Rock, Ark. See article on page 2.

LABOR TO REWARD

THE GRIM REAPER--DEATH TAKES A NOTABLE PART IN MEMPHIS CIRCLE AND

SEVERAL PROMINENT PEOPLE

Succumb--A Series of Social Happenings Gather by Our Hustling Correspondent--A Scandal in Church World.

Memphis, Tennessee, Special.—The funeral of Mrs. Lottie G., wife of Prof. Charles A. Thompson, and youngest daughter of Mrs. Ellen Dickerson, took place from residence, 225 Desota street, Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Services at Avery Chapel. Rev. William Flagg officiated. A vast number of the friends of the family were present. When the hour for the funeral arrived the procession moved silently into the sanctuary. Then the choir, with Miss Hamilton at piano and Mrs. Lary at organ, rendered the prettiest of all hyms, "Flee as a Bird to a Mountain." Upon the rostrum with Rev. Flagg were the Revs. N. H. Pins, T. J. Searcy and Sheaf. A tear of sorrow was seen to fall here and there. The dear relatives seemed to be laboring under a cross too heavy to bear alone At this juncture the choir again struck up the strains of "Asleep in Jesus." Scripture reading, setting forth the beauties of the resurrection morn, by Rev. Searcy; God's blessing upon the bereaved family was asked by the Rev. Sheaf; Rev. Pins gave out the hymn "Servant of God, well done, rest from thy loved employ." Mr. Howard, the venerable leader of the class of which the deceased was a faithful member, gave a talk on the true and excellent life she lived, and implored all to try and follow in her footsteps. It seems that the deceased, in the dark hour of her affliction, loved this beautiful song, 'Come to Me, Savior, I Surrender All." Mr. Dave Washington, who sang the above solo at her request when she was crossing the dark river of death, by request of the pastor, rendered it at the service in pathos not soon to be forgotten. Then Rev. Flagg began his discourse, using the following words as a text: "And all wept and bewailed her, but Jesus said weep not for she is not dead, but sleepth." In his sermon there was used some of the dying words of the deceased, which are as follows: "Mother, dear, you shall have rest, for on to-morrow I shall be well;" "Mother, take my Bible, I can no longer see; keep it as long as you live in memory of your child." Song, "I Would Not Live Always." Mr. Will Lewis, one of our leading business men, departed this life Sunday, March 3. Funeral was held at St. Andrew, Tuesday, March 5, Rev Willse officiating. He was assisted by the Revs. Asbury and Flagg. Over one thousand people turned out to pay their last respects to all that was mortal of this beloved christian gentleman. The deceased leaves a wife, three brothers and a stepfather to mourn their loss. We say to the bereaved relatives and friends trust in that God who consoles in the darkest hour of our trials. Mr. Dorsey, an old resident of this city, the father of Mr. Percy Dorsey, we are sorry to note, is now sleeping in the narrow confines of the grave. Sleep on, poor soul, we will meet you on the other side of Jordon. His funeral took place from Avery Chapel, Sunday, March 10, Rev. Flagg officiating.

Sad it seems, when we must part
From this old world we love;
We leave behind some broken heart
That reminds us of the dove.

Rev. and Mrs. M. F. Fulfurd from Rust University, is in the city. He lectured last Sunday.

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Society.—Misses Alberta Lee, Josie Bell and Hattie and Minnie Pearson spent an afternoon, last week, with our agent, Miss Cora Franklin. Take notice. The Freeman will be on sale at King & Chambers' art gallery Mr. Chambers would like to see all people who would like to become agents for the paper. C. E. Moor of this city, formerly of Macon, Ga., sends regards to all friends. Address 111 Beale street. A. J. Narfeman, a young man of business qualities, has opened a store at 162 S. Second street. Call and see him. The Freeman is on sale at J. E. Parker and J. Fair's barber shop, 535 Main St. Mr. John Stacker, a popular waiter at Floyd's Parlor, has been on the sick list, but, we are glad to say, is out again looking well. Go to the grand entertainment given on the 18th inst., at Odd Fellows' Hall, 66 Desota street, by the M. N. P. Club. Agents wanted for The Freeman. Apply at 27 Turley St. Messrs. Will Stewart and Edward Broce are on the sick list. Call on Dr. Harrison when in need of a physician. We are sorry to note that the Beale Street Baptist Church, under the pastorate of Rev. Climmons, has been the scene of many an unchristian act. A few weeks ago our daily papers announced, under great headlines, that Chief Richards filled the pulpit. Oh what fun has been poked at this congregation over the entire community. Do they not know that such actions as have transpired under its domain is a disgrace on God Almighty and a frowning hindrance to the progress of christianity? Where is the love that they as a set of christians ought to have? Where is the sweet winged angel of peace and the gentle dove of prayer? It is no strange thing to see the patrol and officers of the law stationed around its doorsteps. Oh, men and women, who claim the God of Peace as your father and the lowly Nazarene as your Savior, cling, oh cling to that life line of praying for those who hate and persecute you. It seems that ye are sinking down.

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The interest for society centers, this week, is the Memphis National Polishing Club will give their grand ball March 18, 1901, at Odd Fellows' Hall, 66 Desota street. Wm. Hurt, president; A. Brown, vice-president; Will Davis, secretary; Booker Allen, treasurer.

J. W. Blanchard has been promoted to headwaiter at the Peabody Cafe. We wish him a long life and great success.

Mrs. M. A. Hobson, of Greenwood, Miss., is in the city, the guest of her sons, James and Julius Hobson.

The Japanese party to be given at Collin's Chapel, Monday night, March 18, 1901, by Mrs. Nevel's club promises to be one of the swellest affairs of the season. Though announced only a few days ahead of time, every detail has been arranged with care and understandingly, and no thought of expense has been spared to make the entertainment entirely successful. As it is well understood by the public at large, the affair is given for the benefit of the church. Remember we assure the public in general a good time.

The Young Ladies' Guild Club was delightfully entertained last Friday evening by Miss Lillie Steverson and Miss Ida Steverson at their home on Wellington street. After the meeting adjourned dainty refreshments were served in the dining room. Sweet music completed an afternoon of extreme pleasure.

Mr. John Stacker is on the sick list this week.

John Lewis has returned from St. Louis, Mo., after spending several months. His Memphis friends are glad to shake his hand once more.

E. W. SADDLER.

Macon News.

Macon, Mo., Special.—Miss M. B. Pleasant has just closed a successful term of school at Rensselaer, Mo. Ervin and Harris Vandeville Company played to crowded houses last week at the auditorium on Wednesday and Thursday nights the S. R. O. sign being out each night. Miss Estella Wright comedienne held the audience spelled bound in rendering her solos and male impersonations. J. T. Ancell entertained the U. R. T. C. club on last Wednesday at his beautiful home 510 Normal Ave. Johnnie Tyler a member of the Macon mandolin club was called to Keota, Mo., to organize a mandolin club at that place. Mr. Ervin Harris has resigned his position as waiter at The Jefferson. Prof. Claude Cross principal of the public school at Ardmore, Mo., will give an entertainment at that place the 18th, music will be furnished by F. L. Brown's cornet band of 24 pieces Mrs. A R. Colbert entertained a number of her friends Thursday evening.

Around Town.

Fort Worth, Tex., Special.—Our city has three colored doctors, several professors, six pastors, five dressmakers, five restaurants, blacksmiths, two printers, two saloons, one merchant, one tailor, four barber shops, one shoe maker, one public school and one contemplated newspaper; a Negro population of about 6,000. Mt. Pisgah Baptist church clubs raised $50.55 in three weeks.

PADUCAH'S DOINGS

KENTUCKY'S WESTERN METROPOLIS FURNISHES ITS WEEK BUDGET OF INTEREST.

IN THE SOCIAL REALMS OF DOING

Events Worthy of Note and News in General Picked Up by the Agent and Given to the Readers--Resolutions Passed.

Paducah, Ky., Special.—James Holland, of Mayfield, Ky., was a visitor at J. W. Moore's last Sunday; call again Jim. Miss Teanie Overstreet made a flying trip to her home in the Arcade last Saturday; baby Whitesing is better. Robert Caldwell was called to Clarksville, Tenn., on account of the death of his mother, Mrs. Francis Caldwell, Tuesday March 5. There were some unusual attractions at the Young People's club and Stanfield and Reynolds' dancing school last week; there being a piano players' contest; Mr. Jerome in his latest song and piano music, and a boxing exercise by Kid St. Lawrence and Jim Watts, his sparring partner of Louisville, Ky., which lasted two rounds. Miss Matilda Murphy visited her relatives at her former home in Savannah, Tenn., on the 29 ult., returning last week; she reports an enjoyable time. Miss Lizzie Travis, one of our popular young ladies, is indisposed at her home on Court street. Rev. Hiram Smith, D. D., Grand Master of the U. B. F., and S. M. T. orders of this state, visited the lodges of the city on the 9 and 10 inst. Read The Freeman and pay for it; price 5 cents, David Pitman, agent. Lee Stanfield entertained a number of young people last Sunday; those present were, Jim Watts, Kid St. Lawrence and David Pitman, Misses Mattie Bradley, Carry Stanfield, Mary E. Cooke and Mrs. Mollie Stanfield. Mrs. M. G. Brooks is expected in the city next week Mr. George G. Anderson, of company K, U. S. Infantry, wishes to be remembered by his Paducah friends; his present address is Iba, Zambales, P. I., cfo. Regimental Headquarters, 25th Infantry. Wm. R., is all smiles since her return. A party was given at the residence of Miss Mamie L. Brooks by the 11, 12 and 13 year old pleasure seekers, and a grand time was spent by the guest. Prof. E. W. Benton is on the sick list. Miss Emma James is on the sick list. Please pay David Pitman if you want good news. The young men want to know who "Bad Eye" and "Susan Syrup" are, on Husband street. A program was rendered at Lincoln High School by the 4th division of the 9th grade, as follows: Song, by school; Essay, Miss Myra Lawrence; Select Reading, Miss Angie Daniels; Duet, Misses Williams and Curd; Select Reading, Wesley Edwards. The Sunday School choir of the A. M. E. is meeting with much success under the instruction of Allen Gray, Miss Mamie L. Brooks, organist. We, the teacher and pupils of the 9th grade, Lincoln High School, extend our hands and hearts of sympathy to our scholar and classmate, Miss Georgia Jones, in the loss of her mother, also to the bereaved family. And be it

Resolved, That our loss is heaven's gain; and to weep not for we shall meet again.

Resolved, That those of the family will remember that God doeth all things well.

Resolved, That a copy of this paper be sent to the bereaved relatives.

Prof. E. W. Benton, teacher; Mittie L Grundy, Mamie Brooks, Ora Reed, committee.

From Louisana

Lake Charles, La., Special.—This place is situated in one of the best lumber regions of the state. The colored people are energetic, and many of them own their own homes and have neat bank accounts. The schools are in charge of competent teachers, and are progressing. The churches, 8 in number, are well attended and progressive. The Bible literary society meets every Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m., at the Evergreen Baptist church. Rev. J. W. McGraw pastor of the Emanuel Baptist church, is lying dangerously ill at his home on Gallagher street. Read The Freeman and keep posted; see S. H. Dunfred and get The Freeman, only 5 cents per copy; cor. of Gallagher and Lyons street, No. 1504.

TOM THE TATTLER,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

As a rule, the man that knows the least is always the most anxious to make a speech.

Washington's Hatchet Story Outdone. —Father Nation—"Carrie, my child, who wrecked that saloon over there?" Carrie—"Papa, I cannot tell a lie. I did it with my little hatchet."

General Shafter, the "big fat slob," has been promoted. Just why this is is more than the public can see. He has done nothing to merit promotion, unless aying in a hammock drinking lemonades while those under him were doing he fighting is a cause for promotion. Many a poor soldier sleeps in a forgotten hero's grave on account of his inefficiency as a general. Now, that he has been promoted, the government should employ three or four bartenders who excel in lemonade making, and have them accompany Shafter on future expeditions. General Shafter is a big man already; why strive to make him bigger? He weighs over 300 pounds, and that is bigness enough for three generations. His campaign in Cuba during the late war was nothing but a summer outing. Few, indeed, have been men whose lot it has been to go to war and find the luxuries then come home and be promoted.

Now that the Appellate Court holds it no error for a judge to take a nap on the bench, why not have cots put in so that our judges, during the windy arguments of attorneys, may enjoy their nap.

Nevada is a decadent State. It has gone back so far in population that it is not entitled to statehood. Since it has become a "has-been," why not use it for a place to ship our "has-beens" in professional and other walks of life? I feel satisfied in saying were this done Nevada would become one of our most popular States.

Come back, Williams and Walker, there is a warm spot in our hearts for you.

A woman, the other day, sought a divorce from her husband because he took only two baths a year. Probably he used these as instances from which to reckon events. He might have said to his wife something after this fashion: "No, no, my dear, you are wrong, it has been over four months. You know it happened before I took my last bath, and that has been more than four months ago."

Carrie Nation has left a "wreckered" in Kansas.

A billion-dollar steal trust!

"Put your trust in God," said the preacher from his pulpit. "No," replied the syndicate man, "that trust does not declare dividends often enough."

Is there a man in Chicago with a memory so good that he can remember the time when the streets of Chicago were cleaned?

The Slayton Jubilee Singers "breezed" through town, and they looked well. Furthermore they had some real money. In these days of theatrical crashes a member of the profession with real money is a rarity, and worth going a little way to see.

The western people, in an awful chorus, "For God's sake, will some one come out here and remove the Hottest Coon in Dixie from our midst?"

It is reported that the "Hottest Coon in Dixie" is on its last legs. That show must evidently be a centipede.

Whenever Carter Harrison wants to be mayor of Chicago it is then he can prove how much of Ananias there is in him.

Doctor—Now, my dear sir, you must take one of these capsules three times a day, before each meal.

Patient—Doctor, are you aware that I am a performer, and can't remember the time when three of them have come my way in a day?

Joe Hagerman went to bed sober, dreamed it was raining whisky, and woke up drunk.

I am going to found a college that will teach one thing only—"attend to your own business"

TOM THE TATTLER.

REV. J. A. BOOKER

ONE OF TH LEADING EDUCATORS OF ARKANSAS--A MAN OF RARE INTELLIGENCE.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST COLLEGE

He is the President--His Efforts In Behalf of His Institution--A Resume of His Life.

One of the most progressive young schools of the race is the Arkansas Baptist College located in Little Rock, Ark. This school is now about sixteen years old, but it owns fully thirty thousand dollars worth of property, has ten teachers and officers, and carries a matriculation this year of four hundred and fifty students. In 1884 the Negro Baptist Convention of Arkansas decided that they would establish a school for the race in that State, and thus by bringing educational advantages nearer home many boys and girls of the race would aspire to higher and industrial education. It was a long time before this contemplation was realized. They built a frame building two stories high, put three or four teachers in it, and many of the good Baptists of that State sat down in ease congratulating themselves on the fact that they had built a "college" at little cost and little trouble. But in 1893 this little building was destroyed by fire, and the Baptists waking up and finding that they had no school, went to work with renewed strength, and brought forth a new college that is indeed a credit not only to the denomination, but to the whole race.

One of the secrets of the success of this school is the fact that its management has been permanent. President James H. Garnett, a graduate of Oberlin and of Morgan, was its first president, who, when he could not be prevailed on to continue the work, was succeeded by Rev. Jos. A. Booker, A. M., an alumnus of Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Booker is a native of Arkansas, and received his first academic training at the Branch Normal College, Pine Bluff, Ark., under President Jos. C. Corbin, the Nestor of Negro educators in Arkansas. But the Branch Normal College is a State school, and could give only a part of the education and training that Mr. Booker wanted and needed for his life work. Hence, after three years of hard study in that school he went to Roger Williams University, Nashville, Tenn., where he pursued the classical course and at the same time took some studies in systematic theology. He completed the classical course in 1886, graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, He at once returned to the State and took up the appointment of general missionary of the State, in which capacity he served for nearly a year. When the board could no longer prevail on Dr. Garnett to continue the work, Mr. Booker was called to take his place. From that time onward he has done his very best to make the institution come forward and measure arms with other institutions of like nature.

The institution is both literary and industrial. As a literary institution it is striving hard to give its students (1) a complete English education, making them thorough in all the studies and practices that are purely English. (2) To give the young ministers of the State English advantages in theology and church work. As the rank and file of the ministry advance, the course with reference to them will be raised. (3) To give the well prepared English students higher training in academic and collegiate studies, graduating them with proficiency from these departments. As an industrial school it is giving training (1) in household duties, such as plain sewing, cooking, house cleaning, laundry work, etc., that the girls attending may be thoroughly useful at home as wives and mothers of the race. (2) To give the young men accurate and scientific training in agriculture, carpentry, cabinet making, etc., that the young may not only be able to sympathize with those who are now at work in these departments of life, but that they may be able to take effective hold and "turn up something" in the future. They also learn typesetting, whereby many of them may earn a living and bless the race. Already there is established a well equipped printing office, from which The Baptist Vanguard is issued by the students; also a monthly industrial magazine known as "The Handicraft," and all the minutes the Baptists of Arkansas use, with but few exceptions, are printed in the industrial department of the Arkansas Baptist College. These new projections are due to Mr. Booker's determination to make his students thoroughly practical in all the education received at that institution.

Mr. Booker is a minister of the gospel, and as such he has been able to get very close to his people in his appeals for the work over which he has the honor of presiding. He has addressed cultured audiences, white and colored, north and south, in the interest of his work.

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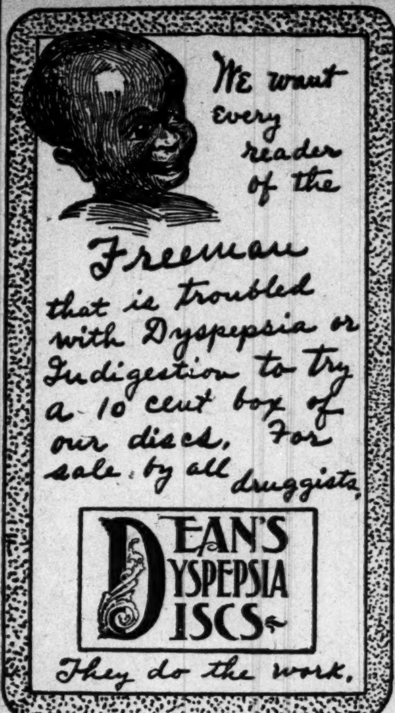

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Historian Honored

E. A. Johnson, lawyer, one of the assistants in the office of the United States District Attorney of Raleigh, N. C., has been made a member of the National Academy of science and History. He has written several histories of the achievement of the Negro race.

From Missouri.

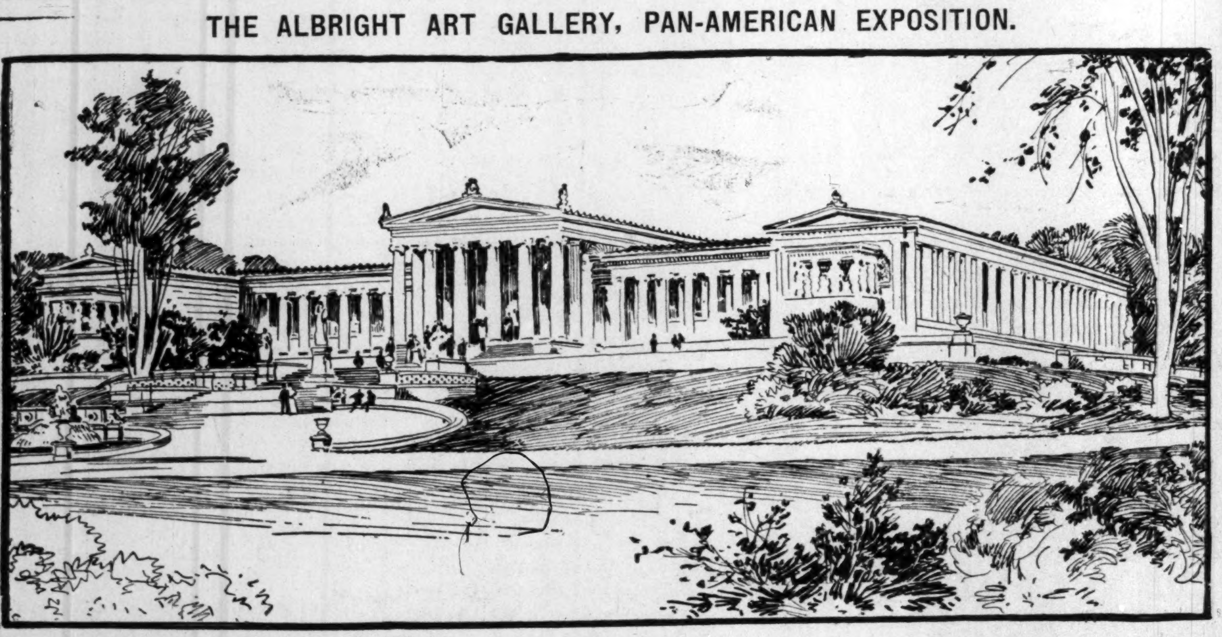
Farmington, Mo., Special—We are sorry to note the fact that our teacher, Miss America Hunt, is again confined to her home by sickness. Miss Susie A. Young is teaching in her place. Mrs. S. V. Bean left on the 6th for a few days' visit with friends in Fredericktown. Mrs. Jane Hunt will entertain the Sewing Circle on the 7th. Rev. S. L. Bean arrived home on Monday morning after a successful revival meeting at Fredericktown. Wayman Booker, of Bonneterre, is visiting his grandfather. Miss Virginia A. Blackwell was very agreeably surprised on the 27th, the occasion being the anniversary of her 19th birthday. Dainty refreshments were served during the evening, Mrs. S. V. Bean acting as chaperon. Every one wishing to be well informed as to the doings of our race and the news in general should call at the barber shop of Mr. A. Glover every Saturday and get a Freeman. Ed Harris is again able to be out after a severe attack of la grippe. Grandmother Bogy was able to be out visiting friends on Monday. Rev. J. H. Noland still attends all the sewing circles. Aunt Rhoda Burnham is improving nicely. There will be a grand necktie entertainment given at St. Paul's M. E Church on the 7th under the management of Mr. H. B. Keatts and Miss Genevie Young.

Interesting Notes.

Carbondale, Ill., Special.—Rev. Robinson is conducting a successful revival at Rock Hill Baptist church here. Mrs. Sarah White has been on the sick list for the past few days. Bishop Abram Grant visited our city this week. He preached on Tuesday night to a crowded house at the A. M. E. church and lectured Wednesday night to a large appreciative audience at the Methodist Episcopal church. Rev. Edwards of Metropolis visited here on Tuesday. Mrs. Mariah Gaines is still sick.

Copies of The Freeman can be found at Black's Hotel, Evansville, Ind., every Saturday. tf

THE ALBRIGHT ART GALLERY, PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION.



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The city of Buffalo is soon to have one of the most beautiful buildings in the western world, a public art gallery to cost upward of $350,000. The building is the gift of J. J. Albright, a citizen of Buffalo and a liberal patron of art, who desires to bestow upon his city a structure that will forever yield immeasurable pleasure to those who visit it, and become as well a center of culture and art. The only conditions imposed by the public spirited donor were that the city of Buffalo should furnish a site, and that the Fine Arts Academy of Buffalo, which is made the custodian of the property, should raise a maintenance fund of $100,000. The city promptly deeded the site requested, which is just within the limits of Delaware Park, overlooking the beautiful park lake. The Fine Arts Academy has complied with the terms of the gift as they applied to the maintenance fund, and the building will be hurried to completion as rapidly as conditions will permit. The building will be used as the art palace of the Pan-American Exposition and thereafter become the permanent home of Buffalo's art collections. This magnificent edifice will be 250 feet long by 150 feet wide, the principal facade looking toward the east. The building will stand upon a broad terrace 35 feet above the level of the park lake, which lies but a few rods below and to the eastward. The principal approach will be by a beautiful monumental flight of steps, the contour of the ground giving opportunity for stately embellishment. The terrace walls are to be of heavy granite blocks. Statuary, fountains, formal floral displays and lawns will complete the ornamentation of the terrace. The style of architecture chosen is the classic Greek, both the eastern and western facades showing rows of rich, graceful columns.

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James Roberts has succeeded E. T. Montgomery as headwaiter at the Oriental Hotel, Dallas, Texas. Mr. Roberts held this position once before. He acted as second during Montgomery's stay there.

Miles Etheridge has succeeded Hon. George F. Ecton as headwaiter at the Holland Hotel, Chicago. The Holland employs twenty-one colored waiters.

Headwaiter F, C. Long, ably assisted by W. J. Mills, is winning quite a reputation at the Windermere Hotel, Chicago, Ill., where he employs twenty-five waiters.

W. W. Banks, headwaiter at the Maxwell House, Nashville, Tenn., has recently returned from his old home at Mobile, Ala., where he went to attend the funeral of a relative. Mr. Banks was headwaiter at the Battle House in Mobile for thirteen years.

Captain A. Thomas, the soldier headwaiter, has retired from the Del Prado Hotel, Chicago, where he was employed as second waiter.

W. C. Casey, headwaiter at the Hyde Park Hotel, Chicago, has resigned to accept a similar position at the Leland Hotel in that city, succeeding Mr. R. T. Ward.

C. R. Johnson, who has been headwaiter at the Lexington Hotel, Chicago, Ill.. since that hostelry opened in 1891, has retired and a white headwaiter has been placed in charge temporary.

Henry Allen, headwaiter last season at the Arlington Hotel, Petoskey, Mich., has been installed as second waiter at the Del Prado Hotel, Chicago.

Ross Taylor, the popular and efficient second waiter at the Hyde Park Hotel, Chicago, is still retained in that position by the new white headwaiter. Mr. Taylor has been at the Park a number of years, serving under three white and one colored headwaiter. His service seems to be indispensable. The Hyde Park gives employment to thirty-two colored waiters.

Girl waiters will be employed at the Hotel Morain, Hyghland Park, Ill., the coming season.

White waiters has succeeded colored waiters in both the ladies' and gents' cafe at the Lexington Hotel, Chicago, Ill. It is said that an incompetent headwaiter was the direct cause of the above change. This is another strong argument in favor of the H. & S. W. N. B. A.

A headwaiter in a large European plan hotel writes: "My greatest trouble here is to procure good European plan waiters. One would be surprised to know how little the average colored waiter knows about the European service. I have recently come here, and I fear that, unless I can import about twenty-five good European plan waiters out here, the house will be lost to white waiters."

J. T. Gilbert, the affable headwaiter at the Hotel Anderson, Pittsburg, Pa., writes: "I have just purchased one of your books, the 'Waiters' Manual,' and what I have read I think it is quite a treat for waiters."

The hotels of Washington, D. C., were taxed to their utmost capacity during the inauguration, and the waiters found plenty of work to do, but it is said that tips were not as liberal as heretofore.

I saw a few examples in The Freeman. It affords me much pleasure in solving them for you or any others that you might wish to be solved:

A—$22.50 divided by 30 equals 75c, amount that each waiter will receive per day; 75c divided by 12 hours equal 6¼c, what he will receive in one hour; 6¼c divided by 60 minutes equals 5-48c, what he will receive per minute.

B—$22.00 divided by 30 equals 73⅓c, amount each waiter will receive per day. In twelve days he will receive 12 times 73⅓c which equals $8 80, am't. that a waiter will receive in twelve days; 73⅓c divided by 12 hours equals 6 1-9c, amount paid per hour; 6 1-9c equals 55-9c; 55-9c divided by 60 equals 55-9 times 1-60, which equals 55-540c, amount a waiter would receive per minute at the rate of $22 00 per month."

Yours respectfully,

B. WRIGHT,
Waiter at Halliday House, Cairo, Ill.

Noah Allen, a janitor in one of the Chicago public schools, was seriously scalded about the face, in that city recently, by Mrs. Florence Palmer. Mrs. Palmer (not Potter Palmer) is the widow of the late Joseph Palmer, a waiter, who died Jan 21 last. Before marrying J. Palmer Mrs. Palmer was Mrs. F. Henderson. Mr. Henderson was headwaiter at the Ontario Hotel in Chicago for three years. It is said that he died rather mysteriously on Dec. 13, 1898. Mr. Allen was a boarder at Mrs. Palmer's house, and it seems that a dispute arose between them in which Mrs. Palmer said "it ain't," and Mr. Allen said "it 'tis," and in order to make Mr. Allen understand that "it ain't" and at the same time to prevent him from saying "it 'tis" Mrs. Palmer emptied the contents of a boiling tea kettle in his face. The local papers stated that jealousy was the cause of the unfortunate affair. Can it be that Mrs. Henderson-Palmer is training for a third husband? If so, we hope that he will not be a head nor side waiter.

The New York "Caterer" has established what it pleases to call "The Caterer's Professional Library System." In the above system the "Caterer" has wisely selected a large number of the best books published on culinary art, and have grouped them in libraries one, two, three, and offers either one of the libraries, which comprises a choice lot of books, at a remarkable low price. In setting forth its reason for establishing the "Library System" the "Caterer" says, in part: "We have not found a panacea, but we believe most firmly that a great improvement could be made in existing conditions by encouraging employes of all grades to read more professional literature, to study their profession. Book reading will not make a stupid man clear, nor very often a lazy one industrious, but we do believe that no intelligent, ambitious young man could read, for instance, the "Practical Hotel Steward" without his work being benefitted thereby. We do believe and assert that no bright young waiter could digest the "Waiters' Manual" without his value as a waiter being enchanced, and that no young cook could study the "Epicurean" or any other standard culinary work without gleaning from it a distinct advantage or could every now and then peruse "A Selection of Dishes" without adding to the variety of dishes at the immediate command of his memory." It should indeed be encouraging to the colored waiters of the United States to know that the "Waiters' Manual," a book written and coprighted by one of their race, as being an example of one of the best books ever written on culinary art, notwithstanding thousands of books have been published on the subject. The "Waiters' Manual" has been subjected to a crucial test by the book experts and in every instance it has received their commendation. It may not be generally known, but the "Manual" is the only book ever written by a colored man, that the book experts have failed to find a flaw in which to criticise the same. The "Waiters' Manual" is for sale by The Freeman, price one dollar.

On account of so many complaints at the office on account of careless waiters dropping dishes on the dining room floor at the Plankinton I was compelled to put a rule in vogue on January 1. When a waiter lets a dish fall through carelessness his services were no longer required. Since the rule has been adopted several waiters have been dismissed. Heretofore there was hardly a day but some careless waiter would let something fall on the floor, and, to cap the climax, he would invariably stand and laugh to the disgust of the guest. The sooner all the headwaiters adopt some stringent measures to drive the harms out of the waiters' position the better it will be for the services. I have several waiters in the dining room who have worked for me from one to twenty years, and they have not broke one dollar's worth of crockery, while some have destroyed two or three dollar's worth a week.

A Warning to Waiters.—On the 19th they had a large convention at the Plankinton, and Headwaiter Miles was paying extra waiters $2.00 per day, and he could not find men enough at that price. There was a bum ball out in town, and as usual, on the 20th, several waiters, who had been working at the hotel from one to seven years, went to the ball and did not report for duty. The next morning, under the old impression "they must have me," when the gentlemen reported for duty they were dismissed on the spot. The steward and manager prevailed upon me to keep them until after the rush on account of a banquet, but I paid a deaf ear to their appeal, and three gentlemen are now looking for situations.

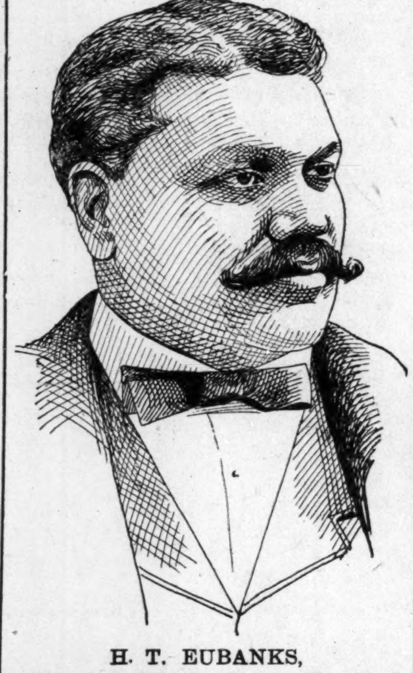
Edward Darrow, of Buffalo, N. Y., who has been out of the hotel business for nine years, has accepted a position at the Plankinton as waiter. M. Lucius Brinn, who worked at a dozen hotels last year, has accepted a position again at the Plankinton.

James Fields, who has been on the sick list, is able to be out again.

As there is always some one soliciting for the St. Marks A. M. E. Church, a contribution box has been put up in the waiters' and bell boys' quarters, and it is hoped by this means that all disposed charitable men will contribute their "widow's mite" weekly, and stop begging and ticket selling at the Plankinton as it has became a nuisance.

J. J. MILES, Headwaiter.

W. E. Tucker, of the Bon Air Hotel, Augusta, Ga., will be at liberty April 1s. Mr. Tucker is a member of the H. & S. W N. B. A. Address W. E. T., care of The Freeman.



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Second—Is to have hot and clean dishes and hot fires.

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Fourth—He should see that the second cook takes and turns out orders from the waiters as they are given to him.

Fifth—If a waiter tell him that he ordered so and so, don't stop to argue with him about it; give it to him so he can go.

Sixth—Don't say that you did not order this nor that; you are just as liable to be wrong as the waiter. I think it is the chief cook's place to keep order in kitchen. I don't think it is proper for him to engage himself in conversation with any waiter while on duty. I think that he should tell them to get their orders and disappear from the kitchen.

Seventh—The chief cook should, in all cases, see that the waiters get hot cakes and not have to cook them. It is proper for him or the steward to see to that. If they don't have no steward the baker or the second baker should see that this or that waiter gets his cakes or toast.

Eighth—It is quite provoking for the headwaiter to go out in the kitchen and find the waiters cooking cakes or toast. I think that all chefs should have enough help so that the waiters would not have to take the place of a second or third cook.

Ninth—Slow service derives from the kitchen lots of times, still the guest blames the waiter and headwaiter. The proprietor blames the headwaiter. I think such things should be investigated.

Tenth—I have seen, in lots of hotels, all the "fault," from the dining room or kitchen, laid on the waiters and headwaiter. If it was investigated it would be on the cooks and pantry girls.

Race Gleanings

It is stated that George F. George, intends to establish a colony of 700 colored people on his farm at Port Jervis, N. J.

"Major" Taylor, the Afro-American bicyclist, Worcester, Mass., has signed an agreement to race in Europe during July and August 1901.

J. R. Hamm conducts one of the largest book stores in Boston, and has a paying trade. He does the great bulk of theatrical business.

A branch of the Y. M. C. A., has been recently organized in N. Y. City and $1,300 have been raised toward erecting a building.

The Georgia Legislature has refused to pass the bill limiting the fund for Negro education to the exact amount paid by him for school taxes.

The largest grocery store in the town of Tuskegee, Ala., is conducted by A. J. Wilburn, a colored man who is a graduate of the Tuskegee Institute.

B. W. Smith of Macon, Miss., is a merchant of prominence. He does a $50,000 business annually. A few years ago Mr. Smith was a comparatively poor man.

During the month of December a new public school for Negro children was established at Havanna, Cuba, by the Oblate Sister of Providence; and a nice building was donated them.

Bishop Thomas H. Lomax, of the A. M. E. Zion church, is comparatively a wealthy man. His real and personal property is said to be worth in the neighborhood of $75,000.

The town of Eatonville, Fla., has 1,000 inhabitants with not a single white among them. It has its full quota of public officials, bank and other business establishments requisite in a town of its race.

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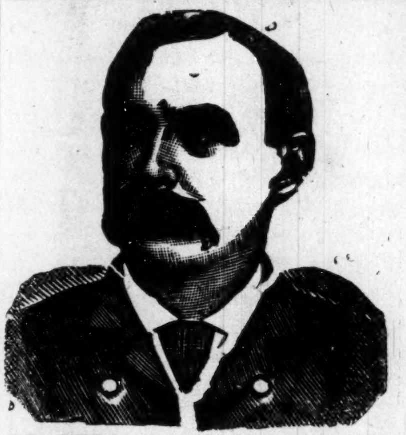

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It is the curse of Spiritualism that in all large cities there is a class of men and women who claim powers they do not possess. They have neither gifts, credentials nor reference. Surley the colored people are not so wanting in sense as to throw their time and money away on such. Dr. Shea refers to the Hon. Chas, Miller, capitalist, 2481 Atlantic avenue; the Hon. Wm. Denmore, architect and builder, 47 Cleveland avenue, and Mr. Fred Lampe, grocer, 641 Fulton street, Brooklyn. All have known him for the past ten years. He gives a free test of his power to all. The Doctor has practiced five years in New Orleans, St Louis, Memphis, Louisville understands thoroughly the diseases, spells or influences the race is subject to. He has now and always had the patronage from them.

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THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONVICT SYSTEM.

A few years ago there was instituted in the State of South Carolina what is known as the convict law lease system. It was at first confined to one county, where it originated, but owing to its profitableness it jumped at once into favor, especially with farmers, who secured labor at a greatly reduced price. Private stockades were erected for the safe guarding of the convicts when the day's work was done. When the supply of convicts from the penitentiary was exhausted the stockades were recruited by "shanghaied" or kidnapped Negroes at so much per head.

Court proceedings were instituted against the leading spirits, one Fowler and others, who were indicted by the grand jury of Anderson, S. C., not so much for operating the pernicious system as for permitting the guards to lash the Negroes indiscriminately and unmercifully. The punishment was so severe in many instances that many of Fowler's guards will be tried for assault and battery with intent to kill.

It is useless to rehearse the testimony of the Negroes concerning their ill treatment at the hands of these latter day task masters, or to rehearse the stories of the white men who gave corroborating evidence. It is a nasty affair, but not one over which Negroes should work themselves up to a frenzy. It is the humane white men of South Carolina, and we may thank God that even that State, despite her Tillman, do have men whose hearts are situated in the right places, men who tired and sickened at the brutality and inhumanity of other men that wore white skins in common.

That grand jury has wiped out the infamous system that served as a masquerade to the vicious institution, the private stockade. The Criminal Court, the Grand Jury declared, was used as a machine by the convict managers.

Judge Benet, judging from his expression, feels outraged at what has taken place.

He said that evidence not yet presented was of the most pitiful character. There was proof, he said, that Negroes had been kidnapped, had been unlawfully confined in the prisons under guard and shackled, and had been unmercifully whipped. Most pitiful of all, he said, were the statements made by the frightened Negroes that they were satisfied with the system when, in fact, they had said they would be killed if they talked.

That grand jury and that judge, we may venture the opinion, represent the sentiment of the better element of that community, perhaps of that State. If so, the Negroes have cause for profound congratulation, not that there has been anything more than proper restitution, but because the restitution was brought about in the manner it was. We believe that in the end that the thousands of little, but malignant injustices that are practiced on Negroes, will give away at the hands of those that instituted them. There are greater racial difficulties for which there will be no solution, nor does it necessarily matter—social relations and such, but the inequalities of the kind noted; separate conveyances for the public, disfranchisements all of them, sooner or later, will be but dead letters that encumber the statute books of those States. The righteous indignation of that jury and judge, the undoubted sentiment of community and State supporting it, will, if not retarded by the untoward actions of Negroes themselves, start a reformation for the greater consideration of Negroes that nothing can impede. It is in the heart of man to do good. His bodily and spiritual comfort may suggest often the other thing; but wrong continually practiced will have its cycle and will burn out. Men have their repenting periods when knowingly, they wrong. Nations, the great aggregate of men, will have theirs if knowingly, they wrong.

RAG TIME MUSIC.

It is said that "rag time" music is going out of fashion. We are glad of it. More lies have been sprung over the footlights in rag time than otherwise. Take the vile lie, "All Coons Look Alike to Me." and that other "Every Race Has a Flag but the Coon." One of "our companies" of the "Coon" sort advertised recently in a Savannah (Ga.) newspaper that a certain part of the theatre would be "reserved for coons." The Afro-Americans of Savannah were fighting mad over it and they were right. We have Irish drama in abundance, but no Irish dramatist or impersonator ever uses the weaknesses of his race to disgrace his race. The Afro-American dramatist and impersonator are perhaps the only creatures in all the world who do it and grin over the profits of the depravity of it.

The music of rag time is tolerable, but most of the sentiment of it is false, degrading and intolerable. We want our men and women on the stage, but we want them in a decent and honorable way.

We are glad the prevailing rag time music is gasping for its life.—Nhe New York Age.

Yes, and we are glad that the "rag time" business is on its last legs. There has nothing happened since the war that did so much to show up Negro weaknesses as that very thing of "rag time" music. Everything that Negroes ever did, or ever will do, or ever can do was told during that late exciting epoch of "rag time." Negroes had no scruples against allowing the white people know just what their life meant while they sang and grinned away about "Ma Baby Loo" and "Ma Honey."

The truth of the whole business is there was a wholesale letting down of the racial standard, whatever that might have been. Talk about "racial depravity" "and some of us" and such; why there was not a Negro chick and child in America that did not sing of "Ma Baby," "I'd Dress My Baby Like a Swell White Lady." What right have we to dress our "babies" like swell—like anybody if we are not married to them? And, mind you, they are applauded. Our children sing it. The writer's children sang it, poor innocent fools. Their age and innocency is all that saves them. But what about those that are in the receptive mood, in that dangerous period when such sentiment is gulped down? Those songs told of open and notorious depravity, and the good people aided and abetted the sentiment because it came from the stage. We need no witnesses. Even the whites were becoming inocculated, but remember the songs did not refer to them. They gave the shekels to hear us sing away our honor. and we sang.

THAT INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL.

The "International Council of the World," a Negro organization with headquarters at Seattle, Washington, is advertising its purpose to pay a reward of $500 for the arrest and conviction of each person implicated in the burning of Fred. Alexander, of Leavenworth, Kansas. Not only does it agree to pay such sums in Kansas, but it has made the same offer to "do business" over the Terre Haute affair and, in fact, in several recent cases of lynching.

In some of our papers, and in white papers these manifold propositions are occurring. Do that organization know what it is doing when it proposes to pay $500 for every man of the mobs that is arrested and convicted? It means that it must have thousands of dollars in ready cash to spend for such purposes. Has it got it? It must not think of using the improbability of conviction as a protection to its treasury. It is possible to arrest and convict if not probable. The payment of the money should be quite as possible.

We hope the organization will not attempt to fatten off of the adversities of the race, but it certainly looks that way. This organization, whatever it may be, is not out for love; it must have some means of subsistence. Is this a bold advertising scheme—a vulture-like affair? Sensible men of either race know well enough that there is no organization of Negroes on earth that stands ready to carry out such contracts.

We do not mean to be unduly bitter with the concern, but it is attracting attention, and it is supposed to be a general race movement.

The organization may mean well, but there is no good in advertising an impossibility and make it a drag net affair—scooping in the whole race as a party to the assininity.

BENJAMIN HARRISON DEAD.

Ex-President Harrison is no more. By his death the country loses one of its foremost citizens. And we may say that the world has lost one of its greatest characters. Indiana will keenly feel the loss of its most distinguished son, who, regardless of his great distinction, always, down to his last days, showed a lively interest in those larger affairs as they concerned the interest of his state and city, Society, the church, and the associations of men for high and noble purpose will miss him.

Gen. Harrison served his community, state and country well. His zeal and high efficiency won for him the admiration and the love of his fellowman that they felt to honor him to their utmost possibility.

In his attainments he was classed as brilliant. The bar of this country must acknowledge that one of its greatest lights has gone out. As a lawyer he was one of those skilled argumentive ones, whose ever sentence was freighted with a mission—cool, clear, penetrating, calculative. His voice was in keeping; not deep, sonorous; but clear, piercing as an alto bell, yet pleasing, musical.

In fact his whole life was clear cut. His administration was of that description; it rang out; it stood out boldly. As President he was considered cold, but never was he considered any one else but the President. His sagacity, his insight to affairs and the knowledge of men caused admiration and respect, if not always love.

His career has been an eminently successful one. He goes down to his last days full of honors, full of years, full of that hope that is assured to those that are faithful to the end.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S GUEST.

It is said that Mr. Burleigh, the Negro baritone of St. George's Church of New York City, after having sung in a private musicale in Albany, went to a hotel near by for accommodation, where he was refused. He tried elsewhere, but was repeatedly refused. Governor Roosevelt, on hearing it, roared out, "what's that?" Here, Burleigh, you come with me, I'll see that you get a bed." He drove to his home, gave him the best guest room. He then saw that the affair was duly announced in all of the papers.

Vice-President Roosevelt is noted for his courage, physical and spiritual. A man that could act as he did on the moment's spur, or spontaneously, will gain the admiration and approbation of mankind. He has proven himself the "American Lion" in more ways than one. The miserable attempt to put him in a bad light with the Negroes owing to the San Juan Hill incident was a despicable piece of business as was ever engaged in. We acknowledge that we were taken in by garbled extracts of his article on the situation, taking a stand not justified by the true situation as shown by the article entire. We said as much at another time. We do not feel that we have ability to harm the Vice-President, but we do not care to be known as having any such disposition.

The "Rising Son," a publication of Kansas City, Mo., has taken on a new title head of a beautiful and attractive design. The last issue, which is a double number, gives evidence of ability and much prosperity. We hope it is so.

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A NEGRO EXHIBIT AT ST. LOUIS.

A plan for a Negro building at the proposed St. Louis Exposition is under contemplation. Tony G. Williams and Charles E Williams, two young men of that city, have the matter in hand. In a circular letter issued by them says that they do not wish to establish a color line or encourage the present and unfair condition. It is hardly necessary to apologize for the color line conditions. It is here, and they are not responsible for it. The mass of the Negroes live in States where the line is "emphatic." It is these that will have most to show as to the progress of the Negroes as it concerns Negroes distinctly. The Atlanta Exposition will not be forgotten. It did much to open the eyes of the whites as to what the Negroes were doing of themselves, by themselves, the only true test of inherent capacity. In the light of recent years there will be no strenuous objection to the color line theory. It is to be wiped out of hearts before it can be wiped out of institution, and in such a transaction there is more than one party to the transaction. More respect will attach to the race if it does not show such a marked disposition to get away from itself. Men will never have respect for those who do not respect themselves.

If the Negroes are ashamed of a purely Negro exhibit, then the whites should be, when considered from a racial standpoint. If the separation means that the Negro is not wanted, he ought to be too good to offer himself where he is not wanted. It follows that this self respect, for that is what it is, will do more to bring respect than the attempt to force the way when not prepared to maintain the situation.

Bruce Williams, one of the soldiers now in the Philippines, wrote The Freeman a letter, not long since, in which he makes reference to the paper on which it was written. He says that it was some of Aguinaldo's official paper that was captured among other effects. If the story is true, Aguinaldo was none too particular as to how he came in possession of it. It has on it an impression of a crown, the lions en rampant and other insignia of Spanish royalty. It is thick and clumsy looking, the product of rice straw perhaps. Mr. Williams says the natives are at a loss to understand why the Negroes are there fighting them, insisting that there is a racial relation between them. Yet, in spite of war, Mr. Bruce said that they take kindly to the Negroes, it being only a question of a few hours to get on the best of terms with them.

One of the daily papers of Nashville, Tenn., speaking of Dr. F. A. Stewart, of the Meharry Medical College, says:

Effie Childress, the Negro woman who was shot through the intestines by Ed Mason on the night of Feb. 11, is recovering rapidly.

The surgeon made an incision eight inches long, and after the operation had been performed twenty-two stiches were required to close the wound.

It was found that the ball had entered the abdomen on the right side just below the lixer, and had punctured the intestines five times The intestines were placed on hot towels, and the holes were carefully and accurately closed, the blood was removed and the cavity was thoroughly cleansed. The intestines were then replaced and the cavity was closed. Before the patient was put to bed about two quarts of salt solution were injected into her breasts. The woman has had no bad symptoms since the operation, and is now regarded as being out of danger. Her temperature at no time has been higher than 99.

Since an operation as this is very rare, and twenty years ago would have been considered an impossibility. The woman will be sent home Monday.

Dr. Stewart is a graduate of the medical deyartment of Harvard College.

The following clippings from the Virginian Pilot, Norfolk, Va., recognized democratic organ of tidewater, Va., give a pretty good idea of the row that is being kicked up among the democrats on account of the proposed disfranchisement of the colored people. It also shows in what estimation the colored man of educatin is held:

We believe the Richmond Dispatch is justified by the facts when it urges that an educational qualification of the ballot will not reach the most objectionable class of Negro voters, while it will exclude many who are least objectionable

The most objectionable and the most worthless Negro in the community is the young buck with a smattering of elementary education. He is insolent towards the whites, contemptuous in his treatment of his elders, upon whom he sponges from year's end to year's end, and is responsible for nine-tenths of all the irritation and ill feeling between the races.

Of course there are well mannered and industrious young Negroes, and we have no purpose to lump them in with the idle, shiftless and bumptious class; but they are decidedly in the minority among the young generation of "reading and writing" Negroes.

The self important young Negro is a perfectly natural product. The second generation out of slavery was bound to develop the very characteristics that we observe in the young Negro of today, who makes himself obnoxious on the streets, in the cars and everywhere that he comes in contact with the whites. Given the benefit of schools, where he has secured a rudimentary education, he compares himself with the ignorant but kindly and industrious ex-slaves, and naturally exaggerates the importance of his acquirements.

The absurdity of any scheme that permits the bumptious and worthless young Negro to vote, while excluding his father who maintains him in idleness is manifest. To do that will but accentuate the offensive characteristics that are largely responsible for the "Jim-Crow car" and the disfranchisement amendment.—Reproduced from Odd-Fellows' Journal Philadelphia, Pa.,

Rockford Items.

Rockford, Ill., Special.—The Busy Bee club gave a concert at the G. A. R. hall March 7. One of the leading features was a tamboreen drill given by Miss L. Fuller, H. Lindsey and the Misses De Priest; Violin and piano duet by Miss Baxter and Miss Ward. Miss Etta Evans rendered several selections on the piano. This entertainment was under management of Mrs. S. Woods. Your agent, E. McCance, was invited out to the rehersal of the Rockford colored band. They are improving considerably, and if they continue to improve they may go out before the public soon. Within two months the Princess Zorah Chapter O. E. S. has received the following members: Miss Hattie Williams, Mrs. Birdie Harris, Miss Aline Ethridge, Howard Williams, Easton McCance and Georgie Harris.

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RUSCO & HOLLAND'S BIG MINSTREL FESTIVAL.—Leadville, Colorado March 16

RUSCO & HOLLAND'S NASHVILLE STUDENTS.—Greencastle, Ind, March 16; Brazil, 18; Bloomfield, 19; Washington, 20; Evansville, 21; Henderson, Ky, 22; Morganfield, 23

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURES (Voelckel and Nolan managers)—Chicago, Ill, March 16; South Bend, 18; Elkhart, 19; Fort Wayne, 20; Toledo, O, 21 to 23

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THE ZOO (Frank C. Bostock, director)—Indianapolis, Ind, continuous and idefinite

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Herbert La She, write Ellis Houston.

Frank Pleasant, of Macon, Mo., would like to hear from P. G. Lowery and L. E. Gideon.

Paul Floyed, late of Washburns minstrels, returned to Indianapolis Monday from New York City.

Prof. H. G. Brown, musician, and Amelia Crawford, of Hudson, N. Y., were married Jan. 9, at Lee, Mass.

Tom Logan and George Jones, authors and comedians, are in vaudeville, and are meeting with unbounded success.

Robert Marshall and Richard H. Barnett joined the Harrison Bros, "New and Ancient South" Co., at St. Augustine, Fla., Feb. 24

The New Orleans minstrels closed at Montgomery, Ala., March 4, on account of a disagreement between the partners. The members of the company attached the goods for two weeks' back salary.

The Summer Bros, of Louisville, have written George Temple that they will use only white performers at the Ninaweb park this summer; thus causing Mr Temple to cancel all the people he had engaged.

J. H. Hearde is in Alaska, and appeared at Skagway with the Elks' minstrels Jan. 29. The Alaskan Daily newspaper was very profuse in its praise of Mr. Hearde and says he is the best performer that ever visited that country.

La She writes from Des Moines, Ia — Black Patti played three nights to light houses, but pleased the people. Simpson and Pittman, musical artists, are with the company, and their act was the hit of the show. James White made a hit in closing the olio. Allen Mack, slack wire artist, is very clever. The quartette took several encores. Al and Cecil Watts hit 'em hard; in fact they had a good show.

The Zoo will enter upon next week with an entire change of program. Even the few old acts that will be put on will be so improved that their identity will be lost. Capt. Bonavita will present his twenty lions in a military march that will discount anything of the kind ever before seen in Indianapolis or the west. He expects to introduce his act, driving into the arena with four monster lions hitched to his chariot.

Notes from the Slayton Jubilee Singers.—The company had a lay-off March 6, in Chicago and every member had a good time. On the 7th they sang in Milwaukee, Wis, and had as guest with them, J. Ed Green. It was the first show of the kind he had ever seen, and he expressed himself very well pleased. The company returned to Chicago on the 8th, and took its departure westward, with the well wishes of its many friends

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The Selma (Ala.) Dramatic Club is billed for three nights, at popular prices, April 9, 10 and 11, at the Academy of Music. In their repetoire they have such plays as Julius Cæsar, Faust, the Blue and the Gray, As By Fire (revised by them) and East Lynne. The company is under the direction of William H. Shackleford and J. Edward Sullivan is manager. John L. Garrett is the star comedian, and furnishes lots of fun at every performance. The mid-spring tour will take in every important city and town in this State.

Everybody with Moses' "Coontown 400" Co., is enjoying the best of health, and our show is giving great satisfaction from start to finish. J. Armstrong, the mimic and imitator, is a hot member, and never fails to please. Al. Edwards and wife are making good as a versatile team. Mr. and Mrs. Bart Kennett are magicians of rare merrit. Miss India Gordon, as a soubrette, is the hit of our olio. Will Merritt, the lyric tenor, is taking from 2 to 3 encores nightly. John W. Dennis, monologist, is making quite a hit singing his own original parody on Mrs. Nation with great credit. Messrs. Dennis, Merritt and Miss India Gordon have joined hands and will be known next season as the Albermarle Trio; watch for them. George Johnson would like to hear from Jack Ross, or his whereabouts through The Freeman; a comrade from David's Island, N. Y. Harbor.

In the little town of Muchakinock, Iowa, there is a band of 30 refined colored artists, namely, the Famous Muchakinock Concert Band. We do not intend to put them in the same arena as Sousa's, Innes' or the British Guard bands, but they are to the Negro race what Sousa, Innes and Godfrey are to the Anglo-Saxon race—a world of wonders in the music circles. There instruments are all silver with gold mountings, and their uniforms are very pretty. They are all young men of stirring qualities; they have toured the state of Iowa, and are awarded the distinction of being the best colored band west of Chicago. Their conductor is a fine man, a talented musician and a fine cornetist, in the person of Prof. A. R. Jackson, who invites engagements for this aggregation.

Clarence Powell writes.—Just a line to let my many friends know of my whereabouts. Owing to the trouble between the managers and the white rats who went on a strike and left many vacancies, I have been able to get to the Proctor circuit, where I met with flattering success. This week finds me in my last week at the 23rd Street House. I am booked solid until May, then I open with Gentry's Dog and Pony show for 14 weeks, after that it will be about time for me to go into rehearsals with Rusco & Holland's minstrels, with whom I've signed for next season. All I can say for a New York audience is that they're "easy" if you deliver the goods in the proper way. Regards to all former members of Scott's Big show, also James White, "One Billy" Miller, Craig, McCarver, Reed and McCarver, Simpson and Pittman, Tom Cross, Bill La Vard, Clarence Cissel and J. Ed. Green. Say Ed., did you ever walk from Cincinnati to New Albany? Long walk says the gray whiskered man.

"THE BREACH."

What, call you back?
No, Love!
Perhaps of me thou dost so think;
But ne'er again shall we two link
Our vows.
My heart at such an ill dost me,
As over that fated past I view
My once bright hope—a wreck!

Call you back, Love?
Alas!
Low in the dark, deep sea of fate,
The hope that did my soul elate
Lies dead.
Nor can we now that life recall;
From out its deep, aqueous pall,
'Tis gone—forever more!

What, call you back?
Away!
Speak not those words to me again;
Thy pleadings bringeth but disdain
And misery.
Love's rose grew sweetly in thy name,
But scorched beneath the heat of shame
That Thou didst bring—farewell!

—By Simeon Oliver Clayton.

Frank Clermont, of the Gideon's Big Minstrel Carnival and Original Nashville Students, combined, direction of Rusco & Holland, writes.—In spite of the bad weather, and one night's stands we can see no kick due the members of the company, as the ghost makes his appearance just the same. Chow. The new addition to the show is that of Prof. Oscar Lindsay, who recently arrived from Australia. A. A. Copeland, stage carpenter and transportation man, sends regards to Tom Baxter and other friends. He has something up his sleeve, so says he. Dan. Desdunes has written a new song, entitled "Gim Me Mine." Will Jones says "hello" to Jim Harris and Ralph Devine. Harvey Goodall, the eccentric drum major and patter, states to his friends that he is still enroute with the Students, and sends regards to Billy Kersands and wife. Marsh Craig and brother will lead them all next season with their brother act; he sends regards to Jim Lacey and George Bailey. Napoleon Johnson, premier tenor soloist is singing the "Story of the Rose" and "I can't Tell why I Love You, but I Do;" he sends regards to friends. Frank Kirk and Frank Clermont were honored with a spread at the solicitation of Mr. and Mrs. Clark, of 670 Douglass street, Indianapolis, during our engagement in that city. It is rumored that Bobby Kemp lost an attachment suit, and had to pay the cost of court, at Anderson, Ind. Its good to be sure, then go ahead.

The Buffalo, N. Y., letter, by Clarence Cissel —Billy Jackson and wife are at the Pan-American this week. Bob. Tasker opened at the Morning Glory this week. The Phyllis Wheatley club, an organization composed exclusively of colored women, after lent will give a grand concert, entitled "Thirty Years of Freedom;" proceeds for the erection of a home for the aged colored people; being the first of its kind, a grand success is assured. The colored brass band is doing fine. The Payne Sisters returned to Buffalo this week, and send regards to all. Billy S. La Vard is making a hit at Fenton's winter garden this week. James Manuel is at his old place on Clinton street; when in town call and see him. L. Griffen sends regards to all friends. James Ross, Esq., the rising young lawyer here, sends regards to all friends. "Tampa," Cissel and Mines' pet dog, received a swell new collar from Manager Savail, of the Jubilee Theatre, Montreal, Que., at the close of their engagement March 9. Major Ben. F. Payne and his "Slavery Day" Co., composed of Thomas and Asbury, Ward and McLeod and the Silver Bell quartette, will arrive here soon. The Ver Vailins will open on the Sheedy circuit April 1. Bougia and Reeves colored sketch team, opened at Mullian's concert hall Monday. The Morning Glory concert hall will be run after this date by Allen Roger, who will be pleased to hear from all friends. Cissel and Mines and little "Bunty," the cleverest pickaninny in the world, opened at Jubilee theatre, Montreal, Que., March 4, and was the hit of the bill, introducing a new and an original act entitled "The Pan-American Cake Walk;" also introducing little "Bunty" in a clever singing and cake walk act. The "Big Little Four" Jamerson pickaninnies will be a special card at Niagara Falls, N. Y., March 28. Harvey McVance, one of Buffalo's swellest colored saloon keepers, will open a pool and billiard parlor in connection with his cafe May 1. Johnson and Verona will go with W. I. Swain's "Black War" tent show this summer. San Bright & Sons, saloon keepers, send regards to Nail Bros., and Poney Moore.

Dan. E. Washington, of Harrison Bros., minstrels, writes.—We are now making our fourth stand in Georgia, after having played in the State of Florida for six weeks. During our stay in Florida the weather was fine and the flowers were in bloom; the orange groves were just fine and the oranges were plentiful; we also saw cocoa-nuts growing on the trees. We were all pleased with our trip to St. Augustine, Fla.; while there I met several old friends from St. Louis. We are now on our way back north; the weather is fine so far, and as yet we have not seen snow. My wife and I expect to be in the State of Indiana by the first of June. She is making quite a hit singing the "Fatal Rose of Red." The show is giving the best of satisfaction and everything is moving along smoothly. "The Cake Walk in the Sky," a new feature in our olio, is a strong number and is receiving deserved praise from appreciative audiences. Miss Jessie Proctor is winning new laurels nightly in the Plantation sketch as the best buck and wing dancer of the female sex that has ever visited the South. After her dance the applause which follows is deafning. The Proctor Sisters, Jessie and Mary would like to hear from the Watts, the Smalls, with "Coon Hollow" Co., the Holmans, the Penman Sisters, Pauline Cottrell; address cfo. The Freeman. We all mourn the death of our dear brother Buffalo, Arnie Stevenson, which was quite a shock.

J. Ed. Green writes from Chicago—Elmore Dodd will appear on the bill at the Burley this week in choice solos on the E flat. Irving Jones closed at the Haymarket Sunday night, the 10th, and laid off for a week in the city. The Castle and Orpheum circuit follows. There is a rumor that the team may work together again—Jones, Grant and Jones. Black Patti and her army of ragtime fun makers are in the city. James White, Al and Cecil Watts, Leslie Triplet, Simpson, Pittman and Will Cook do the honors in the olio. Ida Forceen, the little Chicago sunbeam, was greeted at each performance by rounds of applause. Every one still remembers "You's Just a Little Nigger," it being her master rendition. The Madam has waned none in her popularity. James Crosby and lady will contest for the prize in the open cake walk Thursday evening. My first chance to see a performance of the popular Slayton Jubilee Singers was afforded me Thursday evening, the 7th, at Milwaukee, through the courtesy of Mr. Albert Johnson and the manager, Mr. Lester Helms. The performance is a rare treat to all. The attendance is intermixed with the cream of each city. Severe criticism is always offered, but they meet it with a glad smile and send their audiences away perfectly satisfied. Mr. Johnson has some choruses that cannot be duplicated. Each singer proved him or herself a star. Their opening number, "Song of the Vikings," was well rendered. Madame Sylvester won many encores with "Ding, Dong Bell," the chorus being the feature. Al and Mrs. Tutt were old favorites in Milwaukee, and their work was a revelation to all that had ever seen a cake walk. Mrs. Tutt sings songs that please all ears. Miss Jeannette Murphy, the soprano, was heartily encored. The dreamy "Suwanee River" was pictured in song to the satisfaction of the masses. Mrs. Helms sings a very dainty song, the "Fortune Teller." Her audiences are with her at all times. Uncle Tom (J. W. Turner) sings "Asleep in the Deep," He is a basso profundo of merit. Nolan T. Washington won the laurels of the evening by his whistling. He is by far the master of bird imitators. His singing of "I'm Waiting Here for Julia" is a hit. Much credit is due the energetic manager, Lester Helms, and the musical director, Albert Johnson, for the well arranged show. Mr. Proctor was compelled to postpone his opening until the 17th. His company met the approval of all the managers, and he expects a long run in vaudeville. Fred Carey is telling funny stories and mixing drinks at 2700. The Burley has stock on hand this week. The Lakeside opens the last of April. The Turf Annex is finished, and a more beautiful place cannot be found. Its opening will be the benefit of E. O. Smith. Joe Burley, of the firm ot Jennings & Burley, managers of the Burley, died at his home Thursday, the 7th inst. Bill Nickols is at the Blue Bells. See Daddy Love for information and "dope" on the real issue.

A CARD.

To whom it may concern.—I deemed it absolutely right that I should let my friends at Indianapolis and elsewhere know different from the rumors that has been afloat concerning the Nashville Students. Rumor has it that the above show was seized at Muncie, Ind., and all its scenery and paraphernalia was attached, and the company disbanded. For the benefit of myself and friends, I contradict this statement. Our show, the Nashville Students, has never been booked at Muncie, and the paper that inserted this made a false report. I will say that one Bobby Kemp closed with the show in Indianapolis, and received his money, and the management has his receipt of a settlement in full. You will see in my clippings where Bobby Kemp had an attachment against the show. Of course, our manager, Mr. L. E. Gideon, is a colored man, and its the nature of our race to envy one another. There is not one man with this company who does not receive his salary weekly. I feel sorry for my friend Kemp, for he was misled by others. Its only a lesson for others who may try to do a same like trick. Yours very truly,

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Cream City Items.

Milwaukee, Wis., Special.—Died Thursday March 7, 1901, Mrs. J. W. Lewis beloved wife of Rev. J. W. Lewis of St. Marks A. M. E. church; she had been an invalid for some time interment at Forrest Home cemetary. Rev. W. L. Jimmerson is visiting the sick bed of Mr. J. B. Bennett 260 5th street. Mr. and Mrs. Mearied of Bayview also Mr. and Mrs. Redman are in the Cream City visiting friends. Mr. J. B. Bennett of 260 5th street would like to know the address of Mrs. Ether Johnson his sister of Indianapolis, Ind. Mr. F. Cady an assemble man has introduce a bill in the legislature to prohibit the marriage of white and colored people he says in the Northern part of Wisconsin all the Negro farmers has white wifes. Mr. Cady was born in the South. The Manassah Society will protest against its passage; a colored girl has no chance with the German girl in getting a colored husband. H. Stavered, of South Bend, Ind., is in the city. The Badger State is enveloped in one of the worst storms of the season. Rail roads and street car lines impeded; lives lost on Lake Michigan and great damage to property. J. B. Buford has been summons to appear in Judge Ladwig's court on the jury bench, the suit for damages of Mr. J. J. Miles vs. Heck & Pleis, propritors of Schlitz palm Garden will come up for trial March 12, for refusing to serve him and friends, suit $1000 damages. Mr. Scott, of Peoria, is much pleased with the Cream City he is a member of Peoria smart set.

Interesting Items.

Zanesville, O., Special.—Mr. Juluis Peyton has returned home from Washington, D. C. Miss Cora Allen is the guest of her grandmother in Washington, D. C. Mr. Ed Harper is meeting with great success in his dancing school in Putman. Rev. Revels the evangelist is meeting with great success in the revival at St. Paul A. M. E. church, there have been about fifty converted. Miss Stella Green has returned home from her school in Virginia. Mrs. Hall was in Roseville last week. Miss Ida Pritchet senior of high school had the highest average in the whole school last half term the grade is 98.4. William Freeman is very ill with lagrippe. Mrs. Coulson has returned from Quaker City. The St. Paul A. M. E. S. S. was the largest Sunday since it has been held in the morning, the number present was eighty-six. Mrs. Evelyn Lucas is recovering from a severe illness. Mrs. Joseph Guy of Main street is visiting in Cleveland, O. Mr. Oley Harper of Putnam Hill has returned home from Salem, O., where he has been working.

South Bend News.

South Bend, Ind., Special.—Mrs. Newton Sanders is able to be out again after two weeks illness. Miss Mabel Woodfall is on the sick list. Mr. J. H. Hutchenson entertained a few friends Tuesday evening Feb. 26. Miss Helen Lee is absent from her office owing to her illness The concert on Friday March 1, at the A. M. E. church was so crowded until there was not standing room. Rev. Greene pastor of the First Baptist church has been carring on revival for two weeks. Miss Susie Holliway of Cincinnati is visiting her sister Mrs. Ed Cooksey at 120 W. Water street. Miss Ida Williams has gone to Grand Rapids, Mich. Mr. J. H. Hutchinson is on the sick list. Dr. Hickman is on the sick list. The Masons gave a grand ball Monday evening it was well attended. The First Baptist church had a rally Sunday March 3, and the pastor was very much pleased with the collection. Mrs. Tate of Grand Rapids is in the city on business and also visiting Rev. Simpson.

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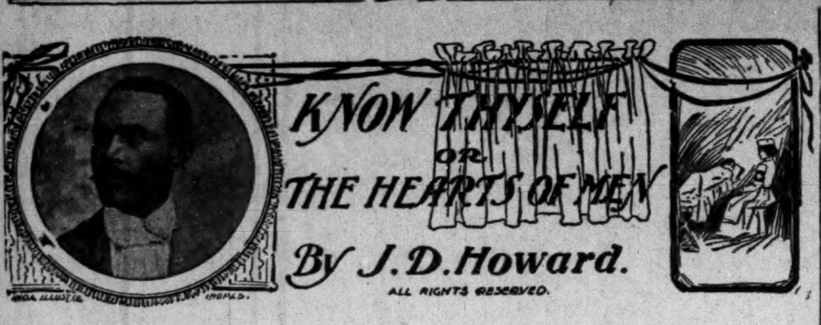
Muncie Items.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—The third Sunday in April will be rally day at which time they expect to have Bishop Grant in their midst. The ladies of the same A. M. E. church have organized a Sewing Circle which meets every Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Widow Son Lodge F A. A. M will give an entertainment at the A. M. E. church on Monday March 18, all are invited to be present. The Second Baptist church gave a Philosopher's entertainment and served chicken pot pie Tuesday evening at their church on E. Jackson street. Patrolman Stokes resigned his position on the force and Mr. Curtis was appointed in his stead.

Selma Notes

Selma, Ala., Special.—Last Friday morning fire destroyed the Shiloh Baptist church in East Selma, and two residences adjoining it. Miss Eugenia Walker and Geor Clark took in the president's inauguration at Washington, D. C.; they have returned, and report a grand time. The city last week was treated with the presence of Prof. Richings, who lectured at the different churches on "Darkest America." Runaways have become every day occurrences, but fortunately no one has been injured yet. Robert Brown is here from New Orleans. Miss Bettie Lula Cook, who has been ill for the past week, is much improved. Selma has a colored laundry; Mrs. Fannie Smith has opened a first-class one at 806 Small street. The officers and members of the First Baptist church will celebrate the second anniversary of their pastor, Rev. W. T. Coleman, on Easter Sunday; a grand time is expected. Miss Ruth Patterson returned last week from New York City.



CHAPTER XXIV.—CONTINUED.

As he finished, Jack leaned towards him, looking him earnestly in the face and extended his withered hand. The callous heart of Bert Swift for once in his wicked life had been touched. He hung his head and real tears stood in his eyes. His friendship for the unfortunate man beside him was deep and sincere; perhaps the most unselfish of his whole life. He know he had spoken truthfully, and ere another month had passed away this life would know Jack no more. Turning in his seat he grasped Jack by the hand and with a genuine expression of remorse and sorrow upon his face he replied:

"I promise Jack—I promise! and with God's help, I mean to keep my word!"

"Heaven will direct you," said Jack, with a glad look in his eyes. "Always remember that a simple prayer from the heart never goes unheeded. I will—lie—down—now and rest awhile;" rising to his feet, he tottered to his cell and flung himself upon his bunk.

For some moments Swift sat upon the stool where Jack left him with bowed head; finally he rose and began walking up and down the corridor of the jail. He was apparently in deep troublous thought.

"Ashton is right," he muttered to himself. "There is absolutely nothing in the life we have been leading. Some such fate as his, if not worse, is in store for all who persist in such careers as the one he soon must end."

Pausing in front of Jack's cell door his tears started afresh as he peered through the bars and observed the attenuated form of his companion. "Poor Jack!" he said to himself, "gladly would I exchange places with you if I could. There is nothing to live for now; my coveted freedom will daily recall to memory scenes I fain would forget! Nothing will ever be the same to me again with Jack in the grave! Why! oh why! did I cross your path?—had you not fallen into my clutches upon that fatal night your young life, so full of promise, might have been spared to some good and noble purpose. He spoke truthfully—'I have made him what he is!"

Brushing the tears from his eyes he he turned upon his heels and slowly walked down the corridor and quietly sat down upon a stool with a heavy heart.

That night, with La Rue as director, the execution of the new plan of escape was commenced.

The prisoners were no longer locked in their cells at night. They had surrendered all of the saws to the jailer and he, anticipating no further effort on their part to escape, since the Court of Appeals had set aside the verdict in their case, permitted them to remain out of their cells at night. The jail had been thoroughly renovated and was considered perfectly safe. As a consequence the levers were no longer locked, and the prisoners had access to all of the cells, both day and night.

The outer walls of the jail were built of stone, twenty-two inches thick; about two feet apart, long narrow apertures, five feet high and six inches wide, were left in the wall. These served as windows, and there were three in each cell. La Rue's plan was to heat the base of stone forming the facing of one of these windows and then throw cold water on the part heated, when, he said, the water coming in contact with the heated stone, would crack it to such an extent as would enable them, with the assistance of a large bar of iron, which they had wrenched from one of the iron beds, to tunnel their way to Liberty!

Accordingly they took the supply of kindling wood passed in to them that night and proceeded with their work.

The last cell on the right was chosen as the one best suited for their scheme. It was fartherest from the main door; thereby rendering the probability of the smoke, eminating from the fire, less liable to reach the office of the jail. For some days prior to the announcement of his plans La Rue had carefully saved the fat that chanced to be upon the meat given him at each meal. This was placed in a tin can and set upon the stove and rendered into an excellent oil; this oil proved a potent factor in futhering the success of the undertaking, as it materially intensified the heat of the fire.

Their first night's work resulted in the removal of a slab of stone from the rock to which the fire had been applied that weighed about sixty pounds.

The next night they succeeded in effecting a split in the rock extending diagonally through it to the one upon which it sat, dislocating a piece about twice the size of the slab taken out the night before.

Their plan had succeeded!

All that remained to be done was to push out this last piece. This they did at once. With a noiseless thud it fell to the moist earth in the yard below. The hole thus produced was quite two feet square; and liberty, the prize for which they had labored so persistently was assured! Taking the blankets from their different bunks they tore them into strips; these they twisted into stout ropes which they tied together, forming a huge cable. This was made fast to the iron bunk in the cell and extended through the hole to the ground below.

All was now completed.

Swift aroused Jack, who was sleeping soundly. He got up and sat upon the edge of the bed. The two conversed hurriedly for a few moments, during which it was agreed that Swift seek Gladys and let her know at once of Jack's serious illness.

Ashton had never written to her since the failure of their first attempt at escape. He knew that she thought he had succeeded in his plans and was now at liberty. As we already know she had been cautioned not to write to him, consequently, neither had heard from the other, for more than six months. Jack had long since concluded that she had left Louisville, though where she had gone he hadn't the remotest idea. No attempt had been made to locate her through the mails for fear of the letter falling into hands other than her's, thereby causing unpleasant disclosures. Swift was to go to Louisville and institute a search for her; if successful, she was to be dispatched to him immediately.

Before they separated Jack handed to Swift a letter addressed to:

"Shirley Moreland,
Bloomington,
Ill.,"

which he placed carefully away in an inner pocket of his coat.

Swift clung to Jack's withered hand long and tenderly, as though the parting was all but breaking his heart. "We came together, old fellow," he said huskily, "I am sorry we can't go away in the same manner!" He knew he should never look upon the face of his comrade again. The eyes of both were filled with tears. Swift, no doubt, was thinking of the wreck he had made of the once promising future of the man before him, while Jack was wondering if they would meet again in the World to come.

"When trials and temptations assail you Bert, think of me, and remember your promise." Said Ashton.

"I will, Jack—I will!"

They had parted. Swift had left the presence of his victim forever!

As he entered the cell across the corridor he found the men earnestly discussing the best method of scaling the wall surrounding the jail.

All was soon agreed upon.

A few moments later Bert Swift, Paul La Rue and Beauregaurd Haywood crawled through the hole in the wall and lowered themselves, by means of the rope they had attached to the bed, into the yard of the jail.

The last named prisoner was a murderer and under a life sentence to the Penitentiary.

The night was dark and cloudy. Not a star specked the firmament. The Negro prisoners confined in the lower part of the jail, were singing their plantive hymns. Headed by La Rue, the three men crept upon their hands and knees till the outer wall of the yard was reached. La Rue, who was a powerfully built man, stood up against the wall; Hayward, the next in size, got upon his shoulders and stood erect. Swift, who was the smallest of the three, was then pulled up by Haywood, who soon had him perched upon his shoulders. In this position the three presented a feat often seen in the circus arena. The formation of this unique pyramid of humanity elevated Swift sufficiently to reach up and grasp the top of the wall. He soon pulled himself up and sat astride of it. Tied about his waist were several yards of the rope they had made; this was quickly let down to Haywood, who pulled himself up; La Rue following closely behind.

A small shed running along the wall on the outside, about four feet from the top, made descent quite easy. Jumping upon the top of this and thence to the ground the men hurried down a back alley and passed into the darkness beyond.

The delivery was not discovered until the next morning when the turn-key handed in breakfast. The town was immediately thrown into a state of high excitement, and for two days the villagers swarmed into the jail yard to inspect the hole through which the "varmints" escaped.

Many and various were the theories advanced as to the methods adopted in making the hole in the wall. Some said it had been blown out with dynamite; others with powder; some one thing and some another. Strange to say, but few accepted the explanation of the prisoners as correct. How they "scaled the wall," presented a deeper mystery still, and was finally given up as a problem entirely beyond their solution.

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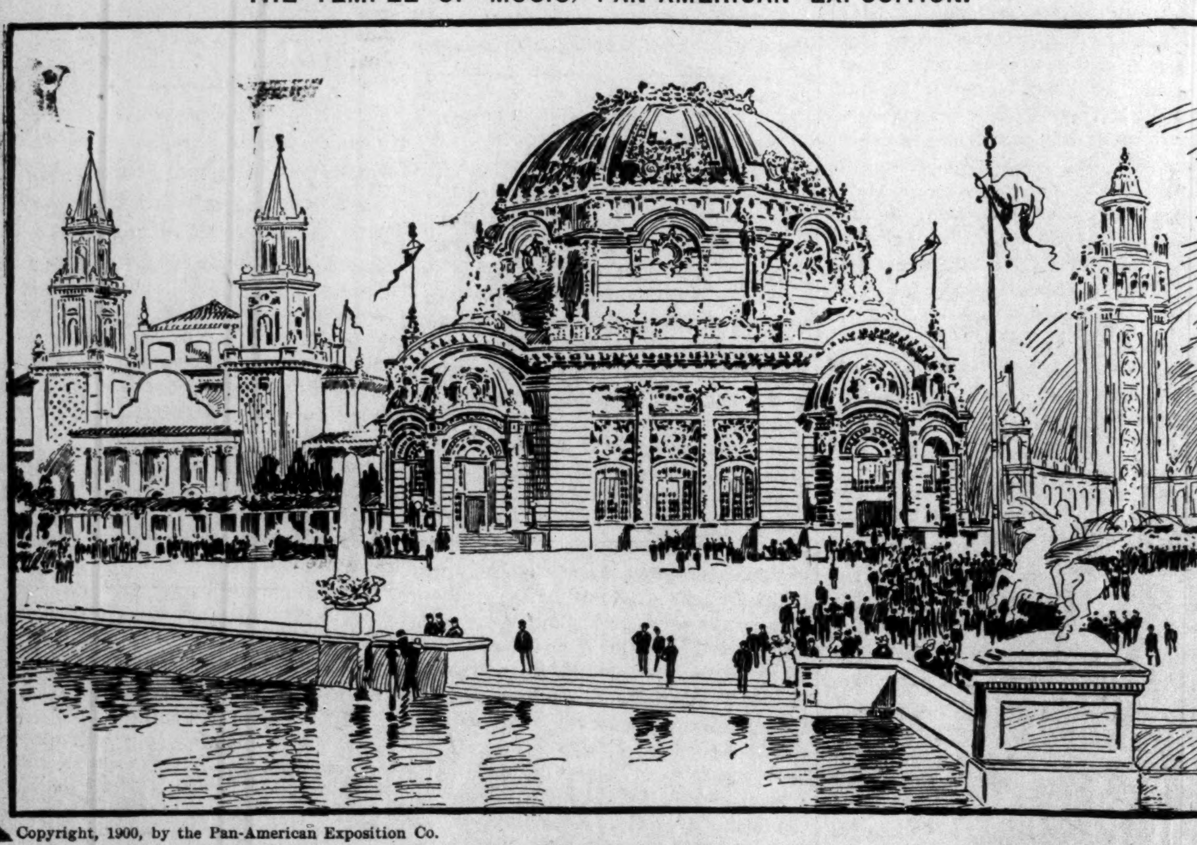
THE TEMPLE OF MUSIC, PAN-AMERICAN EXPOSITION.



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The Temple of Music, designed by Esenwein & Johnson of Buffalo for the Pan-American Exposition, will cover a plot of ground 150 feet square and will be located on the northwest corner of the Esplanade and the Court of Fountains. The exterior of this handsome building will be treated architecturally after the style of the Spanish Renaissance. It will be octagonal in shape, with octagonal pavilions at each corner. The main entrance will be through the pavilion on the corner of the Esplanade and Court of Fountains. The chief features of the drum of the dome will be star shaped windows resembling those seen in the ancient Spanish mission buildings. These windows will light the interior of the auditorium. The dome and the roofs of the pavilions will be richly gilded. The crown of the dome will be 136 feet above the grade of the Court of Fountains, and the Temple and its pavilions will form a very attractive part of the landscape scheme of the entire group of Exposition buildings. The auditorium, which will seat 1,200 persons, will be a few steps up from the grade of the building, and in addition the restaurants and balconies will give further seating accommodation to 1,600 people. The other pavilions in addition to the one used for the main entrance will be occupied by the stage and for a fully equipped restaurant with the necessary kitchen adjuncts, serving room, etc. In the Temple of Music will be erected one of the largest and finest organs in the United States. It will be an exceedingly beautiful and complete instrument, with all the latest improvements in organ building. It will have four manuals and about 50 speaking stops and will be voiced on three different wind pressures. The action will be the most complete style of tubular pneumatic.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

Of Professor Henry Lewis Toney of Los Angeles, Cal.

On December the 26th, 1900, at his late residence, No. 1626 West 20th street, Los Angeles, Cal., the veteran band and music teacher, Prof. Henry Lewis Toney, passed from this life, and those of his friends who survive him have many reasons to look upon the records of his life with pride. For twenty-eight years he gave his services to his country and his people as a musician.

He was born in Rome, N. Y., Dec. 3, 1848. His early life and school days were spent among the rocks and hills of the Old Bay and Granite States, which have reared many other promising musicians; in fact, their records in this particular are difficult to excel.

Prof. Toney came from a somewhat musical family throughout. His father was well known as a successful and popular music and dancing teacher and violinist in the 40's; an uncle, F. P. Claria, of Cambridge, Mass., bandmaster and composer; a cousin, Frederic Lewis, violinist, arranger, composer and orchestra leader, of Boston, Mass.; a brother, violinist and graduate of the New England Conservatory of music, Boston, Mass.; and a sister (now deceased) graduated from the same

He joined a drum corps at the early age of fourteen, in the city of Manchester, N. H., where he was living at that time. He quickly commanded attention by reason of great ability, and when the civil war broke out he was anxious to show his patriotism by using his drum for the service of his country, but the powerful hand of his grandmother, with whom he was living at that time prevented him from executing his patriotic idea upon the drum, but she gave him linen to pick for wounded soldiers.

With tears in his eyes he stood and saw his comrades march away, beating their drums, on their way to the front. The glorious accounts they would write him from time to time, of their camp life in South Carolina and Virginia, served to fan into a blaze the patriotic fire that lay smouldering in his young bosom. Finally he decided to run away from his paternal roof and shift for himself. Wending his way to Philadelphia, he was again halted by relatives and sent to school.

But when the cry came for colored volunteers, he was among the first to offer his services and enlisted as musician in Company G, Third U. S. C. T. (3d Pennsylvania), the first colored regiment organized in that State (June 13, 1863). He was at the siege of Fts. Wagner, Sumpter, Charleston, S. C., Olusta, Florida, Gainesville, Fla., and several other places.

He also served as musician in Company D, 40th U. S. Infantry (Oct. 19, 1866); transferred to Band 40th Infantry, January 17th, 1867, and commenced the study of cornet and music under the late chief musician, I. A. Priest; transferred to Band 25th Infantry, April 20th, 1869, and on account of his musical ability he was appointed band clerk and lance corporal. The 40th U. S. Infantry Band is the foundation of the 25th U. S. Infantry Band and the famous Excelsior Band, New Orleans, Louisiana.

He was on general recruiting service, as instructor of the drum, fife and trumpet, at Boston, New York City and Philadelphia, in 1872 and 1873. Again he was transferred to band 10th U. S. Cavalry, March 19th, 1873; appointed headquarters clerk and lance corporal, May, 1873; lance sergeant, regimental librarian and chief headquarters clerk, September, 1873. After a rigorous examination in music, thorough bass and harmony, with several worthy competitors for the position of chief trumpeter, he succeeded in winning that position and was appointed chief trumpeter of the 10th U. S. Cavalry, showing he had the confidence of his superior officers as well as the ability to hold the position. He was honorably discharged from the U. S. Army, March 18th, 1883, with the rank of chief trumpeter, holding that rank almost ten years. He was in the campaign of 1873-82 against hostile Indians, in 1881 and 1882 acting as field sergeant major. At the time of his death he was a member of Stanton Post, G. A. R., Los Angeles.

Prof. Toney has been connected with some of the best musical organizations among the colored people in the United States, such as Blind Tom's and Heyers Sisters' Orchestra, F. Lewis leader; Old Cambridge, F. P. Claria leader; the Infantry and Edwards' Band, Boston; Cap Harding's Band, New York City; with the famous cornet players, John Wilson and John Top, and with Holland's New Bedford Brass Band and Excelsior Band and Orchestra, Philadelphia; and with the following bands: Murry's, Baltimore, Md.; King's, Washington, D. C.; Brown's, Charleston, S. C.; Allen's, Wilmington, N. C.; Stanily's and Mitchell's, Raleigh, N. C.; Toney Fisher's Orchestra, Jacksonville, Florida, and others.

Prof. Toney was well known in the Southern States among his people, especially in Texas, his adopted State since 1875. Among the several bands that gained attention under his able instructions may be mentioned the Colorado Band and Orchestra, No. 2, Austin, Texas; Fort Worth Silver Cornet, Fort Worth, Texas; El Paso Cornet, El Paso, Texas; the celebrated Cadet Band of Galveston, Texas, and several in Los Angeles, the last being the present Concord Band of this place.

Prof. Toney came to Los Angeles in 1891. During the nine years of his stay here he took special interest in the public welfare. The proficiency of the bands under his instructions brought them into public notice and important service. He also took special interest in church music, and for a time, aside from teaching individuals, played the cornet in the choir of Stevens A. M. E. Church. Mr. Toney delighted in the advancement of his people and was always willing to give a helping hand to any whom he might be able to assist.

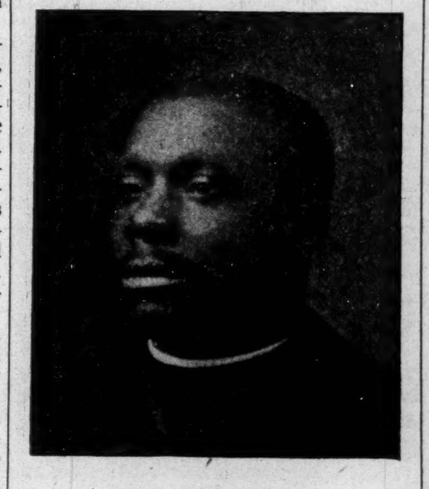
He was married in 1882 to Miss Mildred Ann Marshall, of Owensborough, Kentucky, a refined and accomplished lady and possessed of great integrity and merit, whose industrious and affectionate exertions served to alleviate the sufferings of her husband's long illness.

In private life he had the esteem of all with whom he came in contact. To the end nothing was so dear as the old flag, which now floats above the sacred mound which marks his last resting place.

JOLIET JOTTINGS

The Likeness of a Very Prominent Methodist Preacher

Joliet, Ill., Special.—Miss Mary Holdridge, of Wardsworth, O., is the guest of Mrs. H. Glover. Rev. Owns, of Lockport, Ill, preached at the Second Baptist church Friday evening. Mrs. Mollie Gibson, of Chicago, is the guest of Mrs. A. Jenkins. David Foster was accidentally thrown from a Rock Island train while trying to get on and was badly bruised about the face and head. Newton Gerley left for Chicago Monday to attend to some business for the firm. Master C. M. Dishman is quite ill, but is improving. The young people turned out nicely to the testimonial tendered Miss Lina Middleton, who is attending the business college here. The concert given by the young people here, assisted by some young people of Chicago, last Tuesday, was a success; under the leadership of R. Ford, of Joliet, and James Craighead of Chicago. Mrs. Laura Crabb, wife of John Crabb, died Wednesday, Feb. 27. Mrs. Crabb was highly esesteemed by all who knew her, both white and colored. She was a member of Ruth Chapter, No. 9, and was buried under the auspices of that order. The funeral services was held at her home; Rev. J. Will King officiated. She leaves a loving husband and many friends to mourn their loss. Mrs. T. Junus, wife of Mr. Junus, died Tuesday, Feb. 26; she was one of the new comers to our city, and was a good mother and a kind and an affectionate wife. She leaves six children, a loving husband and a host of friends to mourn her. The remains were interred in the Oakwood cemetery; Rev. J. Will King officiated. Mrs. J. Pearl Davis left for Chicago this this week to reside permanently; her husband is employed there. Mrs. S. Ballard, who was sick last week, is improving.



Rev. J. Will King,
One of the most spiritual singers and preachers in the A. M. E. church, was appointed Evangelist of the Illinois conference by Rt. Rev. B. W. Arnett, D. D., Bishop of the 4th Episcopal District. Rev. King is now pastor of Brown's Chapel, A. M. E. church at Joliet, Ill.

Lima Notes.

Lima, O., Special.—Mrs. Henry Harper is quite sick. Rev. White of the A. M. E. church has closed his revival meeting which has been a great success. Madam Robinson is very low at her home on Union street. Mrs. Crowder is very low at Mrs. Harrison's boarding house. Hanable Ball is sick. Dr. U. S. Beckem left the city Tuesday on some very important business. Mrs. Nettie Syms is some better. At the Second Baptist church Rev. Christian is getting along nicely.

Seven Ancient Wonders.

The ancient seven wonders of the world comprised the Egyptian Pyramids, the Mausoleum of Artemisia at Halicarnassus the Temple of Diana at Ephesus, the Walls and Hanging Gardens of Babylon, the Colossus at Rodes, the Statue of Jupiter Olympus, and the Pharos, or Watch Tower, of Alaxandria. The seven wonders of America are: Niagara Falls, Yellowstone Park, the Mammoth Cave the Canyons and Garden of Gods Colorado, the Giant Trees of California, the Natural Bridge in Virginia and he Yosemite Valley California.

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IN MEMORIAM

To my sister Mrs. Mary Brown, who died at Peoria, Ill., Oct. 6, 1900 at midnight.

Across the trackless seas I go, no matter when or where;
And few my future lot will know, and fewer still will care.
My hopes, not gone, my time is spent, I little heed their loss;
And if I can't feel content, I cannot feel remorse.
My own brain bids me cross the flood; my kindred frown at me.
They say I have belied my blood, and stained my pedigree.
But I must turn from those who chide, and laugh at those who frown;
I cannot quench my stubborn pride, or keep my spirits down.
I have talents fit to win success in life's career,
And if I choose a part of sin, my choice has cost me dear.
But those who brand me with disgrace, will scarcely, dare to say,
They spoke the taunt before my face, and turned uncathed away.

What fears have I, what hope in life, what joy can I demand.
A few short years of toil and strife, in a far and distant land.
The green grass will sprout above my clay (and that may be ere long),
Some friends will read these lines and say, "the world has judged him wrong."

There is a spot far, far away, where eldest sister sleeps,
Who seems alive but yesterday, so fresh her memory keeps.
We have played together beneath the sycamore bough,
And bent our knees in childish prayer, I cannot utter now.
Sister, farewell forever more, you have severed the youthful tie.
Friends, parents, kindsmen, native shore, to each the last good-bye.
And thoughts, which for the moment, seem to bind me with a spell;
Ambitious hope, love's boyish dream, May your farewell be in peace—farewell.

—Billy McClain, Adelaide W. Australia.

News Notes.

America, Ala., Special.—Things are quiet around our little town this week. Since I wrote you death has taken one of our number from our midst, Jerry Mardge. He had been ill for three or four months. We have on the sick list several that we hope will recover soon. Will Richardson, one of our popular young men, is very low, and the G. U. O. O. F. are attending at his bedside. Mrs. Annie Stansell has returned from Birmingham, and resumes her post of duty in the Sunday school. Mrs. Lizy Jones, of Huntsville, is visiting Mrs. J. P. Woods. The Freeman is sold every Saturday evening and Sunday by James Ontario Woods, the little news carrier. All of the readers of The Freeman at this place say it is a wonderful paper for the people who have only been free thirty-five years. The leading young men will soon have a good establishment in the way of merchandise. We are concentrating our capital for that purpose. We think that it will help to solve the great problem of our race if we do that in all localities. Open Negro industries of every kind by uniting ourselves and capital. Success for The Freeman.

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SPORT

Edited By BREAKAWAY.

CORRESPONDENCE.

C. H. J., New York.—You lose.

J. M. C., Reading, Pa.—One only.

H. J., Philadelphia, Pa.—Tom sacrifices to Dick and Harry wins.

D. J., Henderson, Ky.—No; he is the champion featherweight only.

Geo. McH., Evansville, Ind.—George Dixon was born in Nova Scotia in 1870.

Henry T.—Pittsburg, Pa.—Kid McCoy was born in Indiana 28 years ago.

X. Y. Z., Memphis, Tenn.—Is Bobby Dobbs the champion lightweight of England?

Yes.

Miss Laura T., Lexington, Ky.—When did Maud S, establish the world's trotting record?

Aug. 2, 1884.

F. H. T., Macon, Ga.—In what year did Salvator win the Realization Stakes, and what weight did he carry?

1889, and carried 122 pounds.

Mrs. Robert J., Lexington, Ky.—In the game of euchre, should a player in cutting expose more than one card, must he cut again?

Yes.

Joe Choynski is in tough luck and he will be playing in great good fortune if he escapes doing the State of Texas some service in its penitentiary. Joe went to Galveston, in the Lone Star State, and there knocked out Jack Johnson, a colored scrapper, in the third round of what was to have been a twenty-round bout before the Galveston Athletic Club last Monday night. Hardly had the bout ended before a squad of Texas Rangers swooped down on the ring and arrested the scrappers, locking them up in durance vile. They are now in jail in default of $5,000 bonds each, and they are to be prosecuted with the utmost rigor by special counsel retained for the purpose on the charge of violating the state law against prize fighting. The charge is absurd, but nevertheless Joe and all others concerned in the affair will be fortunate indeed if they escape the talons of the law. I sincerely hope that no Texas jury may be found to aid and abet Governor Sayers's bitter persecution, but I fear the worst. Dan Creedon was to have met Harry Covert, of Chicago, before the Olympic Club, of Dallas, last Wednesday night, but, upon learning the action of the authorities in the Choynski case, the bout was declared off. It may take place in Hot Springs, Ark.

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A fight was pulled off near Cleveland, Ohio, last week between Jack Fesler, colored, of Buffalo, and Jack Moore, of Chicago. They were to fight at Akron last week but were not allowed. About 200 sports journeyed out to a barn in the outskirts of the city. It was even until the fifth round, and the Fesler had things his own way but a right hook in the ninth round put Monre down and out for 5 minutes.

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Jim Kennedy of the defunct Twentieth Century club of New York City threw open the doors of his Twentieth Century club of San Francisco on Thurday night and offered his patrons a fistic contest between Dal Hawkins of San Francisco and George McFadden of New York, which the latter won on a foul in the eighth round. Reports say Hawkins had the better of the argument during the first six rounds, but received a smash in the eye in the seventh which turned the tide of battle in favor of McFadden and caused Dal to fight foul and to continue his tactics until in the eighth round he was disqualified.

That was really an unfortunate ending for Kennedy's initial fistic offering, and also for a fight which had all the earmarks of its being contested to the limit, or until one or the other of the contestants scored a clean-cut victory. McFadden was selected to win by close fight students, but Hawkins' unfair tactics deprived him of the honors which generally go to the winner.

The outcome of the contest shows conclusively that Dal is completely out of the championship running and that McFadden is entitled to the top rung of the lightweight championship ladder.

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Frank Erne is, of course, still a factor, but his defeat at the hands of Terry McGovern and his persistent refusal to meet either Joe Gans or McFadden leaves him, in turf parlance, standing at the post. Frank is sojourning on the coast, ostensibly awaiting the coming of McGovern, when he says he is anxious to fight. He might, however, pending Terry's appearance, take on McFadden and thereby oust the latter, if possible, from his preset exalted position.

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With the State of Ohio, and Cincinnati in particular, practically dead to pugilism, word come to me from Cincinnati that a party of sport promoters, headed by Fred Josephy, have organizd an athletic club at Covington, Ky., just across the street, I may say, from Cincinnati. The club has secured what is at present known as Central Garden, which will be thoroughly overhauled, and when completed will have a seating capacity of about 3,000. The promoters believe that with the advertising Cincinnati received during the Jeffries-Ruhlin affair, that city and the smaller towns in Ohio wherein boxing contests are barred will be of considerable advantage to their club Their arena, they say, is located within fifteen minutes' ride of the down-town district of Cincinnati, and for that reason, if for no other, they believe they have a winner.

The officials of the club have not as yet been named, but Mr. Josephy is negotiating for matches and has written Messrs. Summerfield and Essig regarding a match between Frank Childs and "Denver" Ed Martin the colored heavyweights who were billed to go ten rounds in the preliminary to the Jeffries-Ruhlin championship battle. Summerfield and Essig accepted Josephy's terms and immediately wired Billy Madden, Martin's manager, who, as I am informed, accented for his protege.

Although the articles have not yet been signed, the match is virtually made, and if no hitch occurs it will take place about March 22. With two clubs running full blast in Louisville and the new organization doing business in Covington, local boxers will have an opportunity to cut in occasionally.

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"I regard Anaconda as the cheapest horse sold at the New York auction," said Myron McHenry, who gave the great pacer his mark of 2:02½ last summer, as under proper conditions there is not a pacer in the country that has a sure thing of beating him.

"On the day Anaconda went 2:02½ mile at Boston the track was not what you would call fast, yet he never paced an easier heat than the one which stands as his best record. Anaconda is a peculiar horse in more respects than one, and in warming up he would always give me a line as to whether or not he was on edge. In the Boston race he acted exactly as if he wanted to run away on a pace, and in the fast mile I never did a thing from wire to wire but sit still and say 'whoa' to him. He went under the wire at the finish of the heat with all the energy and speed that he displayed when he started. When I saw the time hung out I thought right away what a great mile Anaconda would have gone that day over the Cleveland track. He likes the footing there better than at any other place, and had the Boston race been paced at Cleveland I think the mile would certainly have been right around 2:01.

"But, as I said, Anaconda is a motional horse, and an intelligent one—about the smartest I ever had anything to do with. In a race he seemed to know just what you wanted of him, and how he would try to win! Even when he was beaten (and he knew that as quick as the driver did) he would struggle and try every time you asked him to. If you tried he tried, no matter if he was dead. But you had to be on good terms with him—he was no mere racing machine that would stand any sort of abuse and still try. Some people's way of taking hold of the reins didn't suit him at all, he would show it right away. A light hand was his notion, and anything else was resented. In the matter of training he was peculiar. He wanted to be kept strong and fresh, and hence any severe work between races would get him out of form. Another important point was that the groom having him in charge should be to Anaconda's liking.

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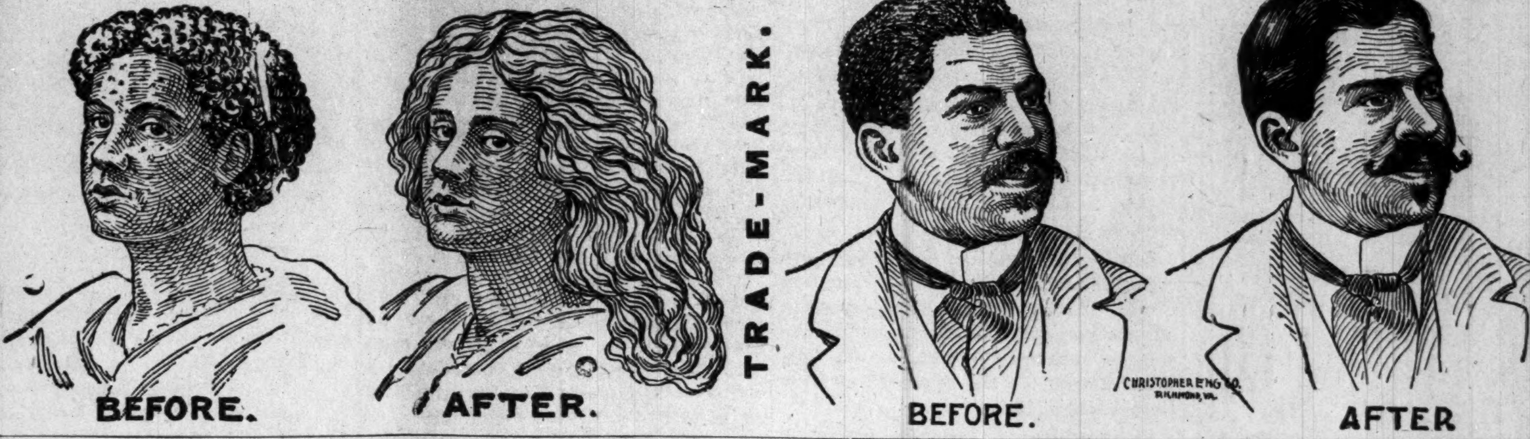

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which is sold with an iron-clad guarantee to do all that is claimed for it, or we will forfeit $50.00. Now, we ask you a plain question—would we absolutely agree to forfeit $50.00 if you are dissatisfied with our preparations, if they were not true to all we claim for them? We have advertised for several years under this guarantee, and we are glad to say that every one who has used Ozono has been satisfied in every respect.

20,000 people are to-day using our preparations, and every purchaser recommends Ozono as the King of all Hair Tonics. Ozono will positively take the Kinks out of Knotty, Kinky, Harsh, Curly, Refractory, Troublesome Hair. It will make short, harsh hair long and straight. It will cure your head of all itching, worrying scalp diseases. Itch, Eczema, Dandruff, and Scurf can not live after Ozono has been applied. It will stop your hair from falling out. It will restore gray hair to its natural color, making the hair long and soft.

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WHAT CONFRONTS THE NEGRO

He is Becoming Discouraged by the Many Outrages

Just at this time there are tens of thousands of Afro-Americans who are, for the first time in their lives, feeling discouraged. While there may be no real reasons for despair, there are, beyond doubt, many recent circumstances that are very threatening. Only those who are absolutely unthoughtful and indifferent can feel entirely at ease.

There can be no question but that it is the fixed purpose of those who control affairs in the south to eliminate the colored voter from politics. This purpose is openly declared in the southern press, has been boldly avowed in the halls of congress and is uttered from platform and magazine columns, and is being executed in state after state by legislative enactments.

The South has not gone in advance of public sentiment in any recent move toward the accomplishment of its avowed purpose. There is no protest against the disfranchisement of the colored voter save the feeble wail of the Afro-American League.

The Negro press is tame, and in most instances, even quite indifferent. The putative race leaders are silent, and the press of the North does not wax very earnest in its opposition to the Southern idea. In short it is easy to see that there is little probability that the near future will witness anything done to wipe out the obstacles which have been placed between the Negro and the ballot box.

Let us view the matter calmly and fairly. What has the race lost by being disfranchised in several Southern states? It certainly has lost no influence in the politics in the making or the execution of law in those states. There is no need to elaborate this proposition. The question is simply this, being no longer a dangerous element in politics, will the Negro be left undisturbed? If so will he not stand a chance of gaining b force of the incentive to renew his desire for education and will not be benefit by the discontinuance of the misrepresentations of his character that were required to keep public sentiment tolerant of the unlawful methods erstwhile pursued to defeat his vote? This question need not be elaborated.

Until lately North Carolina was the most just and lenient of all of the Southern states in her treatment of the Negro. Today she is the least tolerant. The public will form the opinion that the Negroes did not make the best use of their chances. The public will say, "what North Carolina had to do would become necessary in any Southern state that allows the Negro a chance such as he had in that state."

Much as we may smart under the fact we are being disfranchised, the fact is there. That the means and methods employed are unconstitutional is beyond doubt true. That there are any means within our power of obtaining a favorable verdict is a matter than can only be answered by the most thorough experiment.

Every Negro in America is forced to choose between one of two courses of conduct, either he must accept what has been done and make the very best of it or else he must help to make the very best possible fight in the courts for the setting aside of what has been done. There is no other possible course open to any thoughtful Negro of character. Those who do not follow either the one course or the other from honest conviction are either ignorant or unmanly.

Say what you will, circumstances indicate that by far the vast majority of Negroes have decided to accept what has happened and only the very few are resolved to make a legal fight.

Should these few win their fight and should these states which have disfranchised the Negro be forced to allow him to vote, what would he gain? Would he be able to assume the political control to which his vote entitles? Would it simply bring back the methods of which Tillman boasted in the Senate of the United States?

Would a supreme court decision confiming the acts of those states that have disfranchised the Negro elevate the race in public esteem or place a very great obstacle in the way of future advance?

This article is addressed to those who have far enough overcome ignorance and prejudice as to be able to think fairly and clearly and honestly.

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Brief Items of Interest.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.—This city was shocked when the news flashed over it, Saturday, March 2, announcing the death of William Boyd, one of the most prominent citizens in this section. Notwithstanding the employment of expert physicians hourly at his bedside he succumbed to the congestion of the brain, which caused instant death. Mr. Boyd was widely known as the father of Gen. G. Q. Boyd, who was slain by an assassin in 1899. He was born in Lafayette, Ky., in 1842, coming to Clarksville in 1855. Early in the sixties he began to weed out his own way, and within 25 years he became the most skilled carpenter in the State. He led an eventful career; was a transient member of various churches, whom he deserted for others, embracing his former faith (Mothodistism) as the sands of life were ebbing away. Funeral obsequies were held at St. Peter's A. M. E. Church, Rev. H. Metcalf officiating. Interment at Greenwood Cemetery. The Freeman extends sympathy to the family. Mllo. Kate L. Ramey is on the sick list at Fisk University.

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..CITY NOTES..

South Cavalry church literary has reopened.

W. H. Lillard spent Sunday in Frankford, Ind.

Miss Irene Poe has recovered from a recent illness.

Mr. James Wells is in St. Louis for a two weeks stay.

Mr. Edward Sanders made a business trip north this week.

Miss Maud Bass of this city spent a few days in Paris, Ill.

Miss Madge Vaughn has returned to her home in Noblesville.

The Zenda Club danced at Odd Fellow's hall Thursday night.

Miss Gertrude Garnett of Chicago spent last Saturday in the city.

Fay the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boone has been ill.

The Peak Sisters will appear at St. Paul A. M. E. church, March 20.

Mrs. Maria Mason entertained The Woman's Club Monday afternoon.

The Ugly Men's Club was entertained by Dr. B. J. Morgan, Thursday night.

Miss Madge Vaughn left the city last Friday for her home in Noblesville, Ind.

Don't miss the Jubilee and Musicale at Simpson Chapel Wednesday evening March 20.

Mrs. Julia France Turner of Providence, R. I., joined her husband in this city Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Turner of Providence, R. I., are visiting relatives and friends here.

Queen Esther Circle met at the home of Mrs. O. Finley, 767 West North street, Tuesday evening.

The Rev. R. D. Leonard has returned from Benton Harbor, where he went to conduct a revival service.

See Master Paul Bass, the four year old impersonator at Simpson Chapel Wednesday evening March 20.

Hear Mrs. Charles Lanier at the Jubilee and Musicale at Simpson Chapel, Wednesday evening March 20.

The wife, mother and daughter of the Rev. H. L. Herod, pastor of the Second Christian church, have arrived in the city.

The colored Methodist ministers union, at its last meeting, selected Simpson Chapel as its regular meeting place.

Wm. Mays died at the residence of his mother Elizabeth Ellis, Thursday Feb. 28. The Rev. R. French Hurley conducted the services.

Mr. Fred Smith of Marion and Arthur Smith of Hartford City were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. Norman Curry of 727 Fayette street this week.

Mrs. Harriet Bishop has returned from Logansport where she went to attend the bedside of her sister Mary Titus who has been quite ill.

Mrs. Charles Bass left Sunday afternoon for Knoxville, Tenn., to pay a visit to her mother and grand mother. She will be gone for about six weeks.

New York State of Simpson Chapel, will give a Jubilee and Musicale at that church Wednesday evening March 20. An elegant program will be rendered.

Mrs. Oscar Boclair and her twin children died Tuesday night. The funeral of the three will take place from Second Baptist church Friday afternoon.

Mr. Fred Smith of Marion and Arthur Smith of Hartford returned to their homes after a pleasant stay with their cousin Mrs. Curry 727 Fayette street.

The "Old Maids' Convention," under auspices of the Santiago Club of Shiloh Baptist church, was given at the church, West and Walnut, Thursday evening, March 14.

Miss Hattie Hill will appear at Simpson Chapel Wednesday evening the 20th. Miss Hill is an elecutionist of much ability and those who fail to hear her will miss a rare treat.

Mr Frank Bland, our popular young photographer at C. F. Bretzman's studio on Illinois street, left Sunday for Newcastle, Ind., to visit his cousin. He will visit Anderson enroute.

Mrs. Gertrude Cox entertained the Topaz Cluster Club this week at her home in Nelson street, whist was the amusement. The prizes were a French vase and a miniature portrait. A "Hub" luncheon was served.

Friends of Miss Edith May Butler, who recently graduated from Shortridge High School, gave her a testimonial a few evenings ago, and left a purse of $12 in money and other presents. A musical program was a feature.

Blind Harris gave a satisfactory and creditable entertainment at Simpson Chapel March 6, every one expressed admiration. He also entertained before a large enthusiastic audience at Mt. Zion, March 8. He appeared at New Bethel March 13.

Eastern Beauty Tabernacle No. 510, will raffle a polk in white house quilt at 10 chance March 23, at U. B. F. Hall, Circle and Market streets. See this beautiful quilt at Brosnan Brothers, E. Washington street. Jennie S. Boyd, H. P., Peachy Mc Dade, C. R.

Attorney O. V. Royall has information from Chicago of the death there of a man named Frost Clark, who left a large estate and who left an only relative, a sister Miss L. Clark. Miss Clark is supposed to have been a school teacher in this city at some time but Mr. Royall says he has been unable to locate her.

Hon. George L. Knox, as administrator through his Attorney O. V. Royall, after a four days jury trial in the superior court, obtained a verdict for $600 against a prominent brick contractor of the city. The case was hotly contested. Advantage being taken of every technicality by both sides. The jury and all the lawyers except Mr. Royall where white people.

The Rummage Sale which is being held at 427 Indiana avenue has been drawing large crowds all week. It is being conducted by the ladies of the Third Christian church, and from the prices quoted, it is a benefit to those who patronize as well as to the proprietors. The Sale is open in the evening as well as all day, to accomodate those who can not take time from their employment to make purchases during the day. A large stock of clothing and household goods is on hand and more is being added daily.

Simpson Chapel Notes.

Two additions last Sunday, Mrs. Velma Davis and Miss Bettie Bledson. The State of Kentucky will have a special sermon by Rev. Morton at 3 p m. Every Kentuckian and friend is cordially invited. At 8 p. m., tomorrow the Zenda Club, assisted by the choir, will give a Sacred Song Service. Wednesday the 20th a Jubilee Concert and Musicale will be given by New York. Gov. G. L. Knox and staff are hard at work and expect to fill the house. Prof. W. D. Collins and Mrs. Lucretia Knox will have charge. Friday night 22nd., Indiana will give the sacred and literary drama "The Court of the Year." You miss a rare treat should you not attend. Remember the special Family Service at 3 p. m., Sunday March 24. Annual Conference convenes Tuesday March 26.

Capital City Notes.

Columbus, Ohio, Special.—The City Hall was crowded, last Wednesday evening, to show appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Scott, whose house was destroyed by fire recently. The monthly meeting of the Mrs. Booker T. Washington Club met with Mrs. Bertha Smith. The president presided and an excellent program was rendered. Their next meeting will be at the residence of Mrs. A J. Gordon of Main street. Misses Nina Cooper and Ada Edwards are home from Wilberforce University on account of an outbreak of scarlet fever at that institution. E. S. Dempsey is at the bedside of his father in Paulding, Ohio, who is dangerously ill Edward Cottrill died in Toledo, last Wednesday, after a brief illness He was well known here. The People's Band is negotiating for an evening for roller skating at the Columbus Auditorium The Busy Bee Club, Miss Etta Dillahmenta captain, gave a literary and social entertainment, last Thursday evening, at the Donaldson Street M. E. Church. The relatives of the late Mrs Alice Reed Courtney desire to express their thanks for the courtesies shown them during their bereavement. The executive and advisory boards of the Afro-American League of Franklin county met, last Monday, at the La Quasima Club, and elected the following officers: President, Dr. J. A. Tyler; secretary, W. B. Mitchell. Mrs. Martha Jones, of Delaware, Ohio, is the guest of Mrs. Isom Melton. Everybody is anxiously awaiting for the appearance of "Dessalines" to be given by the A. L. Harris Dramatic Company.

HOUSTON NEWS

Happenings of the Week in the Lively Texas City

Houston, Texas, Special.—The Freeman can be found on sale every Sunday morning at the corner of Main and Congress. Much interest is being manifested in this city about the play, "All that Glitters is not Gold," under the management of Sidney C. Isles and James Samuel Green, which will be presented in this city by the best local talent. The managers hope to present it in the first part of May. Prophet F. K. Smith and his entire congregation have gone to Shreveport, La., where they will locate permanently, establishing headquarters for the "Church of God" there. He has already sent out twelve apostles to organize in different sections of the state. Miss Mary Jones visited Galveston last Sunday week, and enjoyed a nice time. Read The Freeman and keep posted. Miss Daisy Kavanaugh, of Chappel Hill, Tex., is here on a visit to Miss Carrie Sundon, Rev. J. W. Cook, the traveling agent for The Dallas World, was in the city recently. James Samuel Green, correspondent for The Freeman, 512 Main street, and Charles Demon agent, at the corner of Main and Congress ave. Rev. W. M. Freeman is up again, after a two week's illness. Hon. J. W. McKinney, of Sherman, Tex., was in the city recently. Misses Eva Davenport and Daisy Butler visited Galveston Sunday week and spent a merry time. Albert Foster spent last week in Galveston. Mr. Foster works for Levy Bros., one of the largest dry goods houses in the state. Wm. DeLester registered on the sick list last week. At present there seems to be a great many parties given by the society people of this city; every night there is some swell affair. The "Raglan Club" gave an entertainment and hop at the Odd Fellows' hall on last Thursday night, and it was a success in every respect; every one who attended got "their money's worth." The Porters' union had an election of officers last Monday night for the ensuing year. Next week we will have a complete list of those who will take part in the play "All that Glitters is not Gold." Read The Freeman, the ideal Negro journal. Hon. J. Vance Lewis has opened a school of oratory, of which the writer hopes to be a pupil soon. Hon. Lewis is one of the best colored lawyers in the state. Remember the Houston news appears every week; help build up The Freeman here, and tell your friends about this great Negro journal. The writer will send the paper to any address for $1.50 per year in advance.

Death Sting.

Denver, Col., Special.—The friends of Mrs. Georgia Catlin were greatly surprised to learn of her death in Omaha last Saturday. Her sister, Mrs. Jessie Smith, went to her bedside Thursday and returned with her body Wednesday. The funeral occurred Thursday from the Church of the Redeemer, Rev. Jennings officiating. A large number of friends and her husband, Charles Catlin, and little son, her brother John and sister, Mrs. Jesse Smith, and father, W. H. Green, are grief stricken. Her youth was spent in this city, and there are but few old residents who do not know and love her. The funeral was very elaborate and the floral offerings were beautiful. Georgia died Sunday night, February 24, 1901.

THE WHITE OR WINDY CITY

Sickness and Society Mentions and Other Interests Gathered.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—The Hannibal Club will give a reception at 478 Wells street, March 27. You are cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Rose Miller of 16 Chestnut Place is on the sick list. John Alexander of 94 N. Clark street, spent last week in Wheaton, Ill., on business. Mrs. M. Samuels of 92 W. Quincy street, gave a delicious dinner last Sunday in honor of T. Hatchett and Miss H. Overstreet. Edward Crump, one of the oldest members of Olivet Baptist church, is very sick with lumbago at 1435 State street. Albert Price is suffering from a sore eye. A. J. Ellison, one of the best stationary engineers in Chicago, celebrated his 58th birthday on March 3, at 73 Larrabee street. Mr. and Mrs. R. Wheat, formerly of Cincinnati, O., were among the invited guests. Mrs. William Holliday of 102 La Salle avenue is sick with a very bad sore throat. Mesdames Nannie and Susie Harris of 65 Wendell street, are the agents for "Ozono," a preparation for the face and hair. Give them your patronage if you wish to improve your countenance. A well selected program has been arranged for the Sunday Club's entertainment at Herman church, March 21; don't fail to come and bring your friends. Mrs. Annie Allen of Wendell street, is critically ill. Claude Williams, the famous politician, will address the 21st ward Republican club next Monday night. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Phillips of 231 Wells street, celebrated their first anniversary February 28. It was one of the grandest and most elaborate anniversaries ever held on the northside. Their cozy home was handsomely decorated for the occasion. Over 60 persons were present. Several handsome and valuable presents were received by Mr. and Mrs. Phillips. Prof. C. L. Gates, one of the leading musicians of Chicago, rendered excellent music with his famous orchestra. Miss Sallie Pepernuckels is sick with the la grippe. A reception was given in honor of Mrs. J. H. Phillips, last Thursday night by Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Tyler at their comfortable home 3111 La Salle street. Over six hundred persons from the various Baptist churches, attended the Sunday school Union at Herman church last Sunday. Miss Emma Minor, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. C. B. Smith, has returned to Kansas City, Kan., to see her dying mother. Bring your money and news to the agent, C. Hughes 135 N. Clark street.

Newsy Notes.

Louisville, Ky., Special.—Miss Saloma Worthington, entertained at her beautiful home No. 726 W. Walnut street Tuesday evening March 5, in honor of Mrs Mamie Carmichael of Chicago, Ill., from 5 to 9, the house was beautifully decorated with Palms Covers were laid for 30 the table decorations were the finest seen in the Fall City this season: Prof. T. B. Brown full orchestra furnished the latest music, and the beautifully dresses worn lent more than brilliancy to the occasion this was one of the most fashionable entertainments given in Louisville. Those present was Mr. and Mrs. Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Loving, Mr. and Mrs. Malone, Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Schaffer of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Ball, Mr. and Mrs. Dickson; Misses Jackson, Simmons, Anderson, Petty, Lee, Glover, Leonard and Brady; Messrs. Masterson, Hobson, Wilkerson, E. C. Mumphrie, Spradling, Dave Steward, Prof. McAfee, Dr. Fitzbutler, Prof. S. O. Johnson, Dr. Agnew, Mr. Hamton and Dr. Merchant. Mrs. Carmichael left for home Wednesday March 6.

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TEXAS SIFTINGS

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Waco, Tex., Special.—Last Monday night week the leading young people of Waco met at Miss M. S. Allen's, No. 611 N. 8th street, and organized a Literary and Social club; owing to business circumstances many were absent, yet a successful organization was the results of those that met; they were as follows: W. H. Lawson, president; Miss Minnie Smith, vice-president; Miss Sophia Humphry, secretary; Mr. Matthews, corresponding secretary; Miss Lillie Decherd, treasurer; Miss D. E. Chambers, critic; W. H. Lewis, director and sergeant at arms, After organizing each officer made a very short and interesting talk, after which refreshments were served and a very pleasant evening was spent, and many are pleased with the good thoughts and ambition of the young people, for such a step, as Waco has been without such for years. Friday night at Franklin Street hall the Helping Hand of the A. M. church gave an entertainment and a grand time was had. This club consists principally of young people, and some of the interesting members are Misses L. E. G. Watson, Sophia Humphry, Lucy Berry, Laura Herron, and Messrs. Steward, Hines and W. H. Lewis. Miss M. S. Allen is sick listed. Messrs. Graves & Williams, successors to the Harvey boys, have made quite a change in their saloon business, and same will be seen in their ad. in short in The Freeman. The Freeman is widely spreading and will soon be read by hundreds in this section. No doubt others are failing, but The Freeman will stand forever; it is always found at the Diamond Pharmacy, 102 E. Side square; the only Negro journal circulating through Texas that holds its own; call soon for a copy before they are all gone.

FROM VICKSBURG

William Henderson a Promising Young Dentist

Vicksburg, Miss., Special.—William Henderson, better known as the "Alabama Kid," is employed at Dr. E. B. Robbin's dental parlor, where he is also practicing dentistry, and is making a rapid success. Henderson is a very clever young man, and is well liked by his employer, who takes absolute interest in him and is very proud of his colored assistant. Mr. Henderson is making hay while the sun shines. He has been seen wending his way to the First National Bank every Monday morning about 10 o'clock; you know the rest. Henderson is up to date. The Freeman does not hesitate in saying that the course of Mr. Henderson is right, and if continued we bespeak in advance for him a very bright future. Among delegates to arrive from Kosciusko, Miss., last week, who had been in attendance at the Grand Council of the I. O. of S., and D. of J. of A., were, J. S. Reed, Rev. Brackens, Geo. Ely, Mrs. Lettie J. Walker, Mrs. Valentine and Hon. W. E. Mollison. All report having had a pleasant time. Charley Payton is running from it all the time.

News Items.

Henderson, Ky., Special.—A very enjoyable dance was given March 8 at the U. B. A. S hall by the young men's club. Quite a number of persons were in attendance. Miss Dollie Mason, of Birmingham. Ala, is the guest of Miss Bessie Slaughter. The sad intelligence of the death of Mr. Adam Anderson was received in this city March 3. His death occurred at Hot Springs, Ark, at which place he was employed. Mrs. Daisy Winfrey, of Spottsville, was in the city last week visiting her uncle Mr. Ed McGuire. Mrs. Mary Gowdey-Sanders of Nashville, Tenn., is visiting her sister Mrs. Carrie O'Neal. The Busy Bee club gave a 20th Century candy pulling in the basement of the church (First Baptist) March 9. A friendship cup and saucer was awarded to the young lady having the whitest candy: A gentleman's prize was also given. Sick list Mesdames Robert Cabell, Wilson Dixon, Celia Harvey. Misses Bessie Allen, Holland, Katie Hughes. Persons having items for The Freeman will please leave the same at 445 Fagan street or 426 First street. Miss Helen Crumbaker was indisposed several days last week. Death, Dallas Sneed, Walter Jackson, Charles Wilson, Misses Janie Rapier and Mary Wickliffe.

The Busy Lima.

Lima, O., Special.—Mrs. Joseph Jackson of West Spring street, sued her husband, Joseph Jackson for divorce and allimony. Andrew L. Byrd is a candidate for assessor, of the Sixth ward, subject to the discision of the Republican primary. Lima has nine colored barbershops, one hotel called the Harrison House, one colored grocery, one colored doctor and two colored restaurants. There are six different teams owned by colored men which are kept busy employed the year round with big contracts. Henry Edwards has the leading bootblack parlor. Ed Adams was elected one of the committeemen of the Republican Central Committee last week. Rev. Christian will lecture at the Frot's opera house. His subject will be "The Black Man's Burden." A sure success is looked for through him. Mrs. Crowder was some better last week. H. Bell of Code street is some better. Dr. U. S. Beam is still in Chicago. Busy Bee Restaurant, Rains & Franklin proprietors, 323 South Main street, are busy and they solicit the public's patronage. They are open day and night—short orders a specialty. The Metropolitan Restaurant 131 East Market street, is a good place.

Newsy Items

Bloomington, Ill., Special.—One of the swellest parties of the colored society this season was given last Thursday evening at the Monroe Hall. The hall has been renovated by Mr. Cecil. The young people are now arranging to try to do as well in the near future. John Mosley is convalesent. Miss Francis Thomas is improving.

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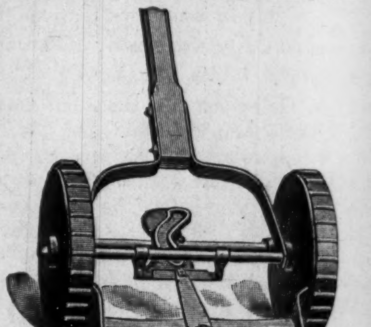

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